[Information for applicants who successfully passed the entrance exam] Preventative Measures Against Infectious Diseases Such As Measles and Rubella

To prevent a possible outbreak of Measles and Rubella on campus, Kobe University requires all applicants to submit one of the following three certificates [Note: Students admitted into the School of Medicine (Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Health Sciences), the Graduate School of Medicine, and the Graduate School of Health Sciences should submit ① or ③]:

- ① Vaccination Certificate for measles and rubella vaccines (or combined vaccine including measles and rubella vaccines, for example, MR vaccine) that proves you were immunized twice each after one year of age. The Certificate must be issued by an accredited medical institution and state the type of vaccine and the date of inoculation.
- ② Vaccination Certificate for measles and rubella vaccines (or combined vaccine including measles and rubella vaccines, for example, MR vaccine) that proves you were immunized within the last five years. The Certificate must be issued by an accredited medical institution and state the type of vaccine and the date of inoculation. (since April 2014)
- 3 Antibody Certificate verifying that you have sufficient antibody titer in your blood to prevent development of measles and rubella, based on the results of an antibody test performed within the last five years. The Certificate must be issued by an accredited medical institution and state the measuring method and the measured values. (since April 2014)

Students entering in April must submit one of the above at the routine medical check-up scheduled in early April, while <u>students entering in October must do so at the routine</u> medical check-up scheduled in October.

The Measuring Methods and Judging Standards of Protective Antibody Value

	Measuring Method	Judging Standard	Remarks
	IgG-EIA method	8.0≦ *(16.0≦)	Positive result by one of these three methods: * School of Medicine (Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Health Sciences) and Graduate Schools of Medicine and Health Sciences require values that are higher than bracketed values.
Measles	PA method	128≦ *(256≦)	
	NT method	4≦ *(8≦)	
Rubella	IgG-EIA method	8.0≦	Positive result by one of these two
	HI method	32≦	methods(HI method recommended)

The protective antibody value differs according to the measuring method used. Please

note that the judging standards are higher than the usual standards considered to be positive. Students who wish to enter the School of Medicine, the Graduate Schools of Medicine and Health Sciences are required to have an even higher level of protective antibody values against measles.

If your antibody titer level is below these values, please take the required vaccination and submit the Vaccination Certificate. If the antibody titer level is below the requirement yet you cannot be inoculated with one of the vaccines listed above for any reason, please present the document (for example, a certificate issued by the doctor) to explain why.

Please ask the doctor to issue you a necessary certificate by showing him/her this notice.

[Note]

In addition to the above mentioned certificate for measles and rubella, if you are entering into the School of Medicine (Faculties of Medicine and Health Sciences) or the Graduate Schools of Medicine and Health Sciences, you must also submit a certificate to prove that ① you have received two inoculations of vaccines for chickenpox and mumps (epidemic parotitis) or ② you have adequate antibody titer level (4.0 \subseteq by IgG-EIA method for both chickenpox and mumps). Take the enclosed form with you to the medical institution and have the doctor fill it out. Hand this certificate into the designated center or office by the deadline listed below. If the antibody titer level is below the requirement yet you cannot be inoculated with one of the vaccines listed above for any reason, please present the document (for example, a certificate issued by the doctor) to explain why.

School/Graduate Schools	Where to submit chickenpox and	Deadline
	mumps certificate	
School of Medicine	Medical Center for Student Health	End of July
Graduate School of	Physical and Mental Health	(April start students)
Health Sciences	Consultation Office, Myodani	End of December
	Campus	(October start students)
Graduate School of	Medical Center for Student Health	
Medicine	(Kusunoki branch)	

- When going to a medical institution in Japan, please ask the doctor to issue you a necessary certificate by showing him/her the <u>Japanese version</u> of this notice.
- * Please bring the original certificate and an A4-size copy with you when submitting.
- Before you visit a medical institution, please make an appointment and confirm that the
 antibody test and/or the vaccine you need are available at the institution.

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