Dear Incoming Student for Academic Year 2018-19:

Welcome to the University of California, Irvine! At the Student Health Center (SHC), our goal is to assist you with any health care needs that you may experience while at UCI. Information regarding our services, location, hours of operation and other important information is available and regularly updated on the SHC website. Additionally, the SHC Dental Clinic offers a variety of dental services. Information regarding dental services, location and hours of operation is available at SHC Dental Clinic. PLEASE NOTE: Important information regarding UC’s admission health requirements and health insurance requirement is noted below including action items that you must complete by the published deadline dates.

Admission Health Requirements

It is the policy of the University of California that all new, incoming undergraduate and graduate students must obtain four required vaccines (or provide evidence of compliance) and complete a TB Risk Screening Questionnaire. Students are strongly encouraged to complete these health requirements prior to arrival on campus for the Fall term. The final deadline date for incoming Freshman, Transfer and Graduate students to comply with these requirements is Friday, October 26, 2018. The final deadline date for incoming Law students to comply with these requirements is Friday, October 19, 2018.

If a student has not complied with these requirements by the deadline date, Student Health Center will place an academic hold (Hold Type “2”) on the student’s record preventing the student from enrolling in Winter Quarter classes (or Spring Semester classes for Law students). Students must enter their immunization dates; upload their immunization record(s); and complete the TB screening questionnaire online through the Wellness, Health & Counseling Services Student Health Patient Portal.

Access to the Student Health Patient Portal (login with the student’s UCNetID) is activated when a student’s status officially changes from “applicant” to “admitted student”. Access should be available to incoming freshman students on or around May 15, 2018. Access for incoming Transfer students should be available on or around June 15, 2018. (Access activation to the Student Health Patient Portal for Graduate students and Law students may vary. Please check with your academic department or School of Law if you are unable to access the Student Health portal.) Detailed information regarding this policy and instructions regarding how to comply can be found on the New Student Information page on the UCI Student Health Center website.

UC Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP)

All registered students are automatically enrolled in the UC Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP). The SHIP premiums and fees are included in the total tuition and fees that are billed to your ZOT account. If you would like to “opt out” of SHIP because you have other health insurance coverage that meets UC’s waiver criteria, then you must submit an online waiver request no later than the posted waiver deadlines on the Waiving SHIP website page. If the waiver request is approved, then you will receive a credit on your ZOT account for the SHIP fees. The credit typically appears within 10-15 business days following waiver approval.

For questions regarding TB screening and immunizations, you may email our Front Office/Health Information Management department. For questions regarding SHIP, please email our Insurance Services department. Again, welcome to UC Irvine and best wishes for a very successful year!

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