

MEDICAL STUDENT INFORMATION REGARDING DRUG TESTING

OHSU requires all faculty, staff, residents and students who are involved in patient care to have a drug screening test. The information provided below is to assist you with complying with that policy.

Testing Deadlines:

Entering Medical Students –Must complete drug testing between August 1, 2011 and no later than Monday, October 10, 2011.

Instructions for Obtaining a Drug Test

1. Select a collection site from the list below that is convenient for you to report to.
2. You do not need to make an appointment, it is first come first served when you arrive so plan to allow for at least 1 hr. in case there is a wait.
3. Note that the collection sites are not open from 12:00-1:00 M-F.
4. You do not have to pay a fee when you arrive. The Collection site will bill OHSU and the funds have been set aside from your financial aid to cover the fee.

The Collection Sites

You must take the drug test at one of these authorized sites in order for the fee to be covered by OHSU and financial aid.

Preparation for the Testing:

1. Refrain from drinking liquids prior to collection as to not dilute the sample.
2. Bring your PHOTO ID with you (OHSU ID is fine)
3. Listen carefully to the instructions when you arrive and make sure you comply with the instructions for obtaining a good sample.

For those of you with medications that might affect the test you do not need to bring or list medications. If medical information is needed to make a final determination of your test results, you will be contacted by the Medical Review Officer, an MD who understands interactions of diet and prescription medications with the drug test. If you are on prescription medications, it may be helpful for you to list them on the back of your copy of the form the collector gives you as a memory jogger.

What Happens After the Testing

A negative report will be forwarded to Assistant Dean for Medical Education in the SOM Education and Student Affairs Office who will obtain a record that you have complied and have a negative result. The report will not be part of your permanent record and are only maintained until you graduate. This

information can be shared with affiliated hospitals requesting this information to prevent you from having to comply with further drug testing at their facility.

If you are requested to have a review with the Medical Review Officer and then receive a negative report, then only the negative report is provided to the SOM. Results of the inquiry will not be forwarded to the SOM.

If you receive a positive result it will be forwarded to the Assistant Dean for Medical Education in the SOM Education and Student Affairs Office and will then be shared with the Associate Dean for Student Affairs and the Medical Student Progress Board. The student will be asked to meet with the Medical Student Progress Board to further review the problem and to outline recommendations and/or accommodations to resolve the issue.

If you have any questions, please contact Shelley Engle at engles@ohsu.edu