

TST Reading Policy

When you get a TST (TB skin test) placed at Student Health (SH), you do not have to return to SH for the reading! This will be very helpful if you have busy rotations at the hospital or need to have a test read on the weekends.

When you come to SH (either the main clinic in Westlawn or at the IMU) for your TST placement, let us know that you would like to get it read elsewhere. We will give you a form with information on it. You will need to take the form with you, and present it to the person reading your TST.

The test must be read 48-72 hrs after placement. You can either go to UEHC (Employee Health) in the hospital, or have any Nurse Manager/RN or MD in the hospital read your test for you. The person reading your test should be trained in the reading of TSTs.

Employee Health is located on first floor in the BT area of the hospital, and is open M-F 7 AM to 5 PM. The person reading your test must complete the rest of the form, including the date, time, result, mm induration, signature/title, and practice setting.

The person will give you the form back and YOU need to return it to SH. You can scan and email it to immunizations@healthcare.uiowa.edu, campus mail to 4189 WL, drop it off in person to WL or the IMU clinic or fax it to 319-335-7247. It is your responsibility to return the form to SH so that it can be recorded.

Of course, you can also always get your TST test read at SH – either in the IMU or Westlawn locations. You can just walk-in to the IMU location during business hours. To make an appointment in the Westlawn Nurse Care Room, call 319-335-8394.