



State of Alaska CHILD CARE & SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS Packet

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Common vaccines/vaccine combination names for **Required** immunizations:

NOTE: The following table is provided as a reference only. To lessen confusion, **PROVIDERS DOCUMENTING CURRENT IMMUNIZATIONS SHOULD USE GENERIC NAMES** (e.g., DTaP, Hepatitis B) rather than brand names.

Vaccine, by Generic or Trade Name (® or ™)	Used for Protection Against This Disease(s)
ACEL-IMUNE®	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis
ActHIB®	Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)
ADACEL™	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis
Attenuvax®	Measles
Boostrix™	Tetanus/ Diphtheria/ Pertussis
Certiva™	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis
COMVAX™	Hepatitis B/ Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)
DAPTACEL™	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis
Decavac®	Tetanus/ Diphtheria
DT	Diphtheria/ Tetanus
DTaP	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis
DTP	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis
DTwP	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis
Engerix-B®	Hepatitis B
HAV	Hepatitis A
Havrix®	Hepatitis A
HbOC	Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)
HBV	Hepatitis B
Heptavax®	Hepatitis B
Hiberix®	Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)
HibTITER®	Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)
Infanrix™	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis
IPOL®	Polio
IPV	Polio
Kinrix™	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis/ Polio
MenHibrix®	Hib/ Meningococcal disease (Hib is the required immunization component of this combo vaccine)
Meruvax II®	Rubella
MMR	Measles/ Mumps/ Rubella
MMRV	Measles/ Mumps/ Rubella/ Varicella
MR	Measles/ Rubella
Mumpsvax®	Mumps
OmniHIB™	Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)
OPV	Polio
ORIMUNE®	Polio
Pediarix™	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis/ Hepatitis B/ Polio
PedvaxHIB®	Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)
Pentacel®	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis/ Polio/ Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)
ProHIBIT™	Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)
PROQUAD®	Measles/ Mumps/ Rubella/ Varicella
PRP-OMP (PedVaxHIB®)	Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)
PRP-T (ActHIB®)	Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)
Quadracel®	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis/ Polio
RECOMBIVAX HB®	Hepatitis B
“Sabin”	Polio
“Salk”	Polio
Td	Tetanus/ Diphtheria
Tdap	Tetanus/ Diphtheria/ Pertussis
Tenivac™	Tetanus/ Diphtheria
TETRAMUNE®	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis/ Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)
TriHIBit®	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis/ Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)
Tripedia®	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis
Twinrix®	Hepatitis A/ Hepatitis B (In US – Adult formulation for > 18 yrs of age)
VAQTA®	Hepatitis A
Varicella	Chickenpox
VARIVAX®	Varicella (chickenpox)
VZV	Varicella (chickenpox)

Note: PPD, Mono-Vacc[®], and Tine test are used for tuberculosis screening. They are *not* vaccines.

Common vaccines/vaccine combination names **NOT** required for school/child care attendance:

NOTE: While not required for school/child care attendance, many of these vaccines are *medically recommended*.

Vaccine, by Generic Name or Trade Name (® or ™)	Used for Protection Against This Disease(s)	Additional Information
4vHPV	Human Papillomavirus	4-Valent Human Papillomavirus
9vHPV	Human Papillomavirus	9-Valent Human Papillomavirus
Afluria®	Seasonal Influenza	
Agriflu™	Seasonal Influenza	
BCG	Tuberculosis	Not used in the U.S.
Bexsero®	Meningococcal disease	
ccIV3	Seasonal Influenza	
Cervarix®	Human Papillomavirus	
Fluarix®	Seasonal Influenza	
Flublok®	Seasonal Influenza	
Flucelvax®	Seasonal Influenza	
FluLaval®	Seasonal Influenza	
FluMist®	Seasonal Influenza	Nasal Spray (LAIV)
Fluvirin®	Seasonal Influenza	
Fluzone®	Seasonal Influenza	
Fluzone® Intradermal	Seasonal Influenza	
GARDASIL®	Human Papillomavirus	
GARDASIL®9	Human Papillomavirus	
HPV	Human Papillomavirus	
IIV, IIV3, IIV4	Seasonal Influenza	Inactivated Influenza Vaccine, 3-valent, 4-valent
LAIV4	Seasonal Influenza	
MCV4	Meningococcal disease	Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine 4-valent
Menactra™	Meningococcal disease	Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine 4-valent
MenACWY	Meningococcal disease	
MenB	Meningococcal disease	
MenHibrix®	Meningococcal disease/Hib	Hib is a required vaccine
Menomune™	Meningococcal disease	Meningococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine 4-
Menveo®	Meningococcal disease	
MPSV, MPSV4	Meningococcal disease	
MPV4	Meningococcal disease	Meningococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine 4-
PCV7	Pneumococcal disease	Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine 7-valent
PCV13	Pneumococcal disease	Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine 13-
Pneumovax® 23	Pneumococcal disease	Pneumococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine 23-
PPSV23	Pneumococcal disease	Pneumococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine 23-
PPV23	Pneumococcal disease	Pneumococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine 23-
Prenar™	Pneumococcal disease	
RIV3	Seasonal Influenza	
Rotarix®	Rotavirus	
Rotashield®	Rotavirus	No longer used in the U.S.
RotaTeq®	Rotavirus	
RV1, RV5	Rotavirus	
Trumenba®	Meningococcal disease	

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Infancy Through Preschool Page 1 of 3	Alaska Immunization Compliance Standards Infancy Through Preschool					
	Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTP/DTaP/DT)		Polio (OPV, IPV)		Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	
	Required spacing		Required spacing		Required spacing	
Dose #	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
1	Not valid before 6 wks of age	By 3 mos of age	Not valid before 6 wks of age	By 3 mos of age	Not valid before 1st birthday	By 16 mos of age
2	1 mo after #1	3 mos after #1	1 mo after #1	3 mos after #1		
3	1 mo after #2	3 mos after #2	1 mo after #2	1 yr after #2		
4	4 mos after #3	1 yr after #3				
	An additional dose is required if minimum spacing requirements are not met. A child who has received 6 or more doses does not require more, regardless of spacing.		An additional dose is required if minimum spacing requirements are not met.		An additional dose is required if minimum spacing requirements are not met.	

For compliance purposes:

Age = age in calendar weeks or months (e.g., “by 6 wks of age” or “by 2 mos of age”)

Interval between doses calculated as 28 days = 1 month

“Maximum” (under “Required Spacing”) - refers to the maximum time period before a child who has not completed the required number of doses would be “out of compliance.” Doses received *after* the “maximum” intervals are medically acceptable and bring the child back into agreement with compliance standards.

“Kindergarten” - For the purposes of these guidelines, a “child in kindergarten” is one who was born prior to September 2 at least five years prior to kindergarten entry. For example, a child entering kindergarten in 2017 must have been born before September 2, 2012. Definition follows kindergarten age criteria established by the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development.

Dose #	Alaska Immunization Compliance Standards Infancy through Preschool					
	<i>Hepatitis A</i>		<i>Hepatitis B</i>		<i>Varicella</i> “Chicken Pox”	
	Required spacing		Required spacing		Required spacing	
	<i>Minimum</i>	<i>Maximum</i>	<i>Minimum</i>	<i>Maximum</i>	<i>Minimum</i>	<i>Maximum</i>
1	Not valid before 1 st birthday	By 25 mos of age	At birth	By 2 mos of age	Not valid before 1 st birthday	By 19 mos of age
2	6 mos after #1	19 mos after #1	1 mo after #1	3 mos after #1		
3			2 mos after #2 and at least 4 mos after #1	18 mos after #2		
	An additional dose is required if minimum spacing requirements are not met.		An additional dose is required if minimum spacing requirements are not met.		An additional dose is required if minimum spacing requirements are not met.	

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Special Information
Hib is required only for children under 5 years of age

For compliance purposes, children do not need the entire series if:

- Child received a dose on or after 15 mos of age **OR**
- Child received 2 doses on or after 12 mos of age with a minimum interval of 2 mos.

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	Hib		
	Dose #	Required spacing	
		<i>Minimum</i>	<i>Maximum</i>
1	6 wks through 59 months of age	Not valid before 6 wks of age	By 3 mos of age
2	6 wks through 11 mos of age	1 mo after #1	3 mos after #1
	12 through 14 mos of age	1 mo after #1 ⁺	3 mos after #1 ⁺
	15 through 59 mos of age	2 mos after #1	3 mos after #1
3	6 wks through 11 mos of age	Not valid <i>for compliance</i> if received before 12 mos of age	Not applicable
	12 through 59 mos of age	2 mos after #2 (Not valid <i>for compliance</i> if received before 12 mos of age)	3 mos after #2
An additional dose is required if minimum spacing requirements are not met. + If dose #1 is received on/after 12 mos of age: Minimum interval between dose #1 and #2 is 2 mos. Maximum interval between dose #1 and 2 is 3 mos. If the child receives dose #2 at least 2 months after dose #1, a third dose is not needed.			

For compliance purposes:

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Interval between doses calculated as 28 days = 1 month

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Alaska Immunization Compliance Standards
Kindergarten through 12th Grade

Dose #	<i>Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis</i> (DTP/DTaP/DT/Td/Tdap)		<i>Polio</i> (OPV, IPV)		<i>Measles, Mumps, Rubella</i> (MMR)	
	Required spacing		Required spacing		Required spacing	
	<i>Minimum</i>	<i>Maximum</i>	<i>Minimum</i>	<i>Maximum</i>	<i>Minimum</i>	<i>Maximum</i>
1	Not valid before 6 wks of age	Before facility entry	Not valid before 6 wks of age	Before facility entry	Not valid before 1 st birthday	Before facility entry
2	1 mo after #1	3 mos after #1	1 mo after #1	3 mos after #1	1 mo after #1 (measles only)	3 mos after #1 (measles only)
3	<u>current age less than 7 yrs</u> 1 mo after #2 3 mos after #2		1 mo after #2	1 yr after #2		
	<u>current age 7 yrs or older</u> 6 mos after #2 1 yr after #2					
4	<u>current age less than 7 yrs</u> 4 mos after #3 1 yr after #3					
	<u>current age 7 yrs or older</u> Only 3 valid doses required					
5 *	<u>current age less than 7 yrs</u> 6 mos after #4 and on or after 4 yrs of age Before facility entry					
	<u>current age 7 yrs or older</u> Only 3 valid doses required					
	<p>An additional dose is required if minimum spacing requirements are not met.</p> <p>* Dose # 5 is not required if an appropriately-spaced dose #4 was received on or after 4 years of age.</p> <p>A child who has received 6 or more doses does not require more, regardless of spacing.</p> <p>Pertussis is not required on or after 7 years of age unless 10 years has passed since last tetanus/diphtheria containing vaccine.</p>		<p>An additional dose is required if minimum spacing requirements are not met.</p> <p>Polio is not required on or after 18 years of age.</p>		<p>An additional dose is required if minimum spacing requirements are not met.</p> <p>2nd dose: Measles only required. However mumps and rubella often are received as a component of MMR vaccine.</p> <p>Rubella is not required on or after 12 years of age.</p>	
10 year Booster	<p>Tdap Requirement:</p> <p>Required within 10 years of last tetanus/diphtheria-containing vaccine.</p>					

Alaska Immunization Compliance Standards
Kindergarten through 12th Grade

Dose #	Hepatitis A		Hepatitis B		Varicella "Chicken pox" Required only in grades K through 6	
	Required spacing		Required spacing		Required spacing	
	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
1	Not valid before 1 st birthday	Before facility entry	At birth	Before facility entry	Not valid before 1 st birthday	Before facility entry
2	6 mos after #1	19 mos after #1	1 mo after #1	3 mos after #1	1 mo after #1	4 mos after #1
3			2 mos after #2 and at least 4 mos after #1	18 mos after #2		
	An additional dose is required if minimum spacing requirements are not met.		An additional dose is required if minimum spacing requirements are not met. <u>2 dose option for adolescents:</u> Three (3) appropriately-spaced doses of hepatitis B are required unless a copy of a medically-verified record documents receipt of 2 doses that meet ALL the following criteria: <u>Vaccine Used</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Merck <i>RecombivaxHB</i>[®] •"Adult" formulation (contains 10 mcg of hepatitis B surface antigen) <u>Age when BOTH doses were received</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •11 through 15 years <u>Interval</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •at least 4 mos between doses •compliance "maximum" = 7 mos after #1 		An additional dose is required if minimum spacing requirements are not met. Varicella is NOT required in grades 7 through 12.	

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Immunity & Exemption Documentation Requirements

Immunity:

- A State of Alaska Immunization Program developed form is required documentation if a child is not to receive vaccines due to immunity. (The required use of a *state* form became effective July 1, 2009. Valid documentation written and dated prior to July 1, 2009 will be grandfathered.) A copy of a state form is enclosed.
- Documentation must be signed by an Alaska-licensed M.D., D.O., A.N.P., or P.A. stating the child is immune.
- Titer results are not required to be filed in school/child care records.
- Do NOT use the medical exemption half of the form for immunity documentation.

Medical Exemptions:

- A State of Alaska Immunization Program developed form is required documentation if a medical provider's professional opinion is that immunization would be injurious to the health of the child, or members of the child's family or household. (The required use of a state form became effective July 1, 2009. Valid documentation written and dated prior to July 1, 2009 will be grandfathered.) A copy of a state form is enclosed.
- Documentation must be signed by an Alaska-licensed MD, DO, ANP, or PA, stating the child is medically exempt from receiving immunization(s).
- Do NOT use the medical exemption half of the form for immunity documentation.

Religious Exemptions:

- The State of Alaska Religious Exemption form (enclosed) is required documentation for children whose parents/guardians claim religious exemption status.
- Modification to the wording of the State religious exemption form may invalidate the exemption. Statements indicating philosophical or personal opposition to vaccines will invalidate religious exemption documentation.
- Religious exemption forms are valid from July 1 through June 30 each year and must be renewed annually. For compliance purposes, enforcement of annual renewal for children enrolled in summer programs (i.e., summer school, child care) begin on July 15.
- Notarization of the form is required.

State laws supporting these requirements include:

- 7 AAC 57.550 – Title 7 Health and Social Services, Part 4 Children's Services and Juvenile Justice, Chapter 57 Child Care Facilities Licensing, Article 5 Care and Services, Section 550 Health
- 4 AAC 06.055 – Title 4 Education and Early Development, Chapter 6 Government of Schools, Article 1 General Administration, Section 55 Immunizations Required
- AS 18.15.355 – Title 18 Health, Safety, Housing, Human Rights, and Public Defender, Chapter 15 Disease Control and Threats to Public Health, Section 355 Prevention and Control of Conditions of Public Health Importance

The above requirements have been reviewed and approved by the State of Alaska's Department of Health and Social Services, Department of Education and Early Development, and Attorney General's Office.

School/Child Care Responsibility for Children at Risk for Vaccine-preventable Diseases

School and child care immunization requirements have nearly eliminated vaccine-preventable childhood diseases. However, outbreaks still occur and can cause mild to serious illnesses, which result in lost time from school/work for children, parents, and teachers/facility staff, as well as cause potentially high medical expenses.

Children who are ill:

Refer children who are suspected as being ill with a vaccine-preventable disease to their healthcare providers.

Children at risk:

Children at risk for contracting vaccine-preventable diseases include those:

- too young to receive vaccines;
- with medical or religious exemptions;
- admitted to school/child care under provisional admittance clauses allowed by state law.

A list of at risk children should be maintained at all times so that in the event of an outbreak, they can be quickly identified and if necessary, excluded from their routine school/child care environment until the risk has passed ([AS 18.15.375](#)).

Vaccine-preventable disease outbreak information:

Public health staff will provide guidance to facility staff in the event of a vaccine-preventable disease outbreak in a school or child care setting. School/child care staff will need to review all children's immunization records to identify those who have not received specific vaccines or who do not have valid documentation of immunity. A susceptible child may need to be excluded from his/her routine school/child care environment until (1) the child is vaccinated, (2) the child becomes ill with the disease and completely recovers, or (3) the danger of the outbreak has passed as determined by public health officials. For example, during measles outbreaks, susceptible children may be excluded for 18 days after the onset of symptoms of the last case in the community, which may result in school/child care exclusion for several months.



STATE OF ALASKA



MEDICAL EXEMPTION / IMMUNITY FORM

Alaska Immunization Regulations 7 AAC 57.550 and 4 AAC 06.055 require that all children in Alaska public/private schools and child care facilities be immunized unless he/she is exempted or immune.

This form is required to be on file at school and/or child care when a child is not immunized due to a medical contraindication or immunity.

Name of Child _____ Date of Birth _____

The following section must be completed by an Alaska-licensed Medical Doctor (MD), Doctor of Osteopathy (DO), Advanced Nurse Practitioner (ANP), or Physician Assistant (PA) as applicable.

MEDICAL EXEMPTION

In my professional opinion, the following immunizations would be injurious to the health of the above named child or members of the child's family or household.

Note: During a vaccine-preventable disease outbreak, an exempted child may need to be excluded from routine school or child care until he/she is determined to no longer be at risk of developing the disease.

Check appropriate antigen(s)

- Checkboxes for Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Polio, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Varicella, Hib

IMMUNITY

Check appropriate antigen(s)

- Checkboxes for Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Polio, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Varicella, Hib

For Pertussis & Hib – History of disease does not infer immunity. Vaccination is recommended.

Name [Please Print] of MD, DO, ANP or PA _____

Check one: MD DO ANP PA

Signature of MD, DO, ANP or PA _____

Date _____

Clinic Name _____

Phone Number _____



State of Alaska Religious Exemption Form



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This form is required to be on file at the school, preschool, or child care facility if religious exemption is applicable. (Note: Personal or philosophical exemptions are not allowed per state law.) Notarization and annual renewal are required.

Name of Child

Birth date

I/We affirm that immunization conflicts with the tenets and practices of the church or religious denomination of which the applicant/parent/guardian is a member. I/We understand that if there is an outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease that my child has not been fully immunized against, my child may be at risk for disease and may be excluded from routine school or child care until he/she is determined to no longer be at risk of developing the disease.

Signature of Parent(s) or Guardian(s)

Telephone

Date

(Form valid from July 1 through June 30)

State of _____

Judicial District _____ SS.

The Foregoing Instrument was acknowledged before me by

_____ on this _____ day of

_____, 20_____.

Witness my hand and seal.

Notary Public (Signature)

Notary's printed name

Notary's city

My commission expires _____

SCHOOLS:
Applicable Excerpts from Alaska Immunization Regulations

Register 185, April 2008 EDUCATION AND EARLY DEV.
4 AAC 06.055(a) is amended to read:

4 AAC 06.055. Immunizations required. (a) Before entry in a state public school district or nonpublic school offering pre-elementary education through the 12th grade, or any combination of these grades, a child shall be immunized against

(1) diphtheria, tetanus, polio, pertussis, measles, mumps, hepatitis A, hepatitis B, and rubella, except rubella is not required in children 12 years of age or older; and

(2) beginning July 1, 2009, varicella.

(b) This section does not apply if the child

(1) has a valid immunization certificate consisting of

(A) a statement by a physician listing the date that each required immunization was given; or

(B) a copy of a clinic or health center record listing the date that each required immunization was given;

(2) has a statement signed by a doctor of medicine (M.D.), doctor of osteopathy (D.O.), physician assistant, or advanced nurse practitioner licensed to practice in this state, stating that immunizations would, in that individual's professional opinion, be injurious to the health of the child or members of the child's family or household; or

(3) has an affidavit signed by his parent or guardian affirming that immunization conflicts with the tenets and practices of the church or religious denomination of which the applicant is a member.

(c) A student registering in a school in a community where regular medical services are not available on at least a weekly basis and who does not have the required immunizations, may be provisionally admitted to a pre-elementary, elementary, or secondary program for a reasonable period of time for the prevailing circumstances but not exceeding 90 days after enrollment. No children will be provisionally admitted except in exceptional circumstances. Where exceptions are granted, they shall be reported to and discussed with the epidemiology section of the division of public health, Department of Health and Social Services, who will then be responsible for determining that the required immunizations are completed during the provisional period.

(d) If a parent or guardian is unable to pay the cost of immunization, or immunization is not available in the district or community, immunization shall be provided by state or federal public health services.

(e) Immunizations shall be recorded on each pupil's permanent health record form.

(f) School districts shall initiate action to exclude from school any child to whom this section applies but who has not been immunized as required by this section.

(g) A homeless child or youth, within the meaning of 42 U.S.C. 11434a(2) (McKinney - Vento Homeless Assistance Act), revised as of January 8, 2002 and adopted by reference, who does not have a record of the required immunizations, may be provisionally enrolled in a public school program for a period of time not exceeding 30 days if a parent or legal guardian has signed a witnessed statement that the child has received the required immunizations and the child's immunization records are not immediately available. A district shall report each provisional enrollment under this subsection to the epidemiology section of the division of public health, Department of Health and Social Services. The division of public health, with the assistance of the district's homeless liaison, will be responsible for locating the required immunization records. If the immunization records are not located during the provisional period, or the records indicate that the child has not received the required immunizations, the child must be immunized as described in (a) and (b) of this section to continue being enrolled in the public school program. The division of public health, with the assistance of the district's homeless liaison, will be responsible for ensuring that the child receives the required immunizations.

History: Eff. 1/13/73, Register 44; am 8/28/77, Register 63; am 12/30/2000, Register 156; am 3/22/2008, Register 185

Authority: AS 14.07.020
AS 14.30.125

CHILD CARE FACILITIES:
Applicable Excerpts from Alaska Immunization Regulations

7 AAC 57.545. Reducing the spread of disease. To reduce the spread of disease, a child care facility shall meet the applicable requirements of 7 AAC 10.1045 (Universal Precautions) and 7 AAC 10.1050 (Caregiver Hygiene). (Eff. 6/23/2006, Register 178)

7 AAC 57.550. Health. (a) At or before admission of a child, a child care facility shall obtain from the child's parent a valid immunization certificate or evidence that the child is exempt from immunization.

(b) A valid immunization certificate must be a copy of

(1) the child's original immunization record showing that, in a manner consistent with the timetable prescribed by the department's childhood immunization schedule, the child has received, or has begun and is continuing to receive, immunizations; or

(2) an immunization record that includes a statement or record by a physician, clinic, or health center indicating the date each required immunization was given.

(c) Evidence that the child is exempt from immunization must be in one of the following forms:

(1) a form prescribed by the department and signed by a medical doctor (M.D.), doctor of osteopathy (D.O.), advanced nurse practitioner (ANP), or physician assistant (PA) licensed in this state; the form must state that in the individual's professional opinion, immunizations would be injurious to the health of the child or members of the child's family or household;

(2) a form prescribed by the department and signed by the child's parent or guardian, affirming that immunization conflicts with the tenets and practices of the church or religious denomination of which the parent or guardian is a member;

(3) subject to (k) of this section, a form prescribed by the department and signed by the child's parent or legal guardian, stating the child is homeless within the meaning of 42 U.S.C. 11434a(2) (McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act) and does not have a record of the required immunizations;

(4) subject to (k) of this section, a form prescribed by the department and signed by the child placement agency or worker, foster parent, or child's guardian, stating that the child is in foster care and does not have a record of the required immunizations.

(d) Repealed 5/15/2016.

(e) A child care facility in a community where medical services are not available on at least a weekly basis may provisionally admit a child who does not have the immunization certificate or evidence of exemption required under (a) of this section until the certificate or evidence can be obtained, but for no longer than 60 days.

(f) A satisfactory immunization audit report from the department, regarding an audit completed during the last 30 days for children that were in care at the time of the audit, will be accepted as evidence that the child care facility satisfies the requirements of (a) of this section.

(g) A child care facility may admit a mildly ill child or allow the child to remain in attendance if the child's needs do not compromise the care of other children.

(h) A child care facility that cares for a mildly ill child shall arrange a plan of care with the parent and provide a place where, under supervision, the child may rest or play quietly, apart from other children, if warranted.

(i) A child care facility may not admit a child who shows definite signs of a serious illness or of a highly communicable disease or allow the child to remain in attendance unless a medical provider approves the child's attendance.

(j) A child care facility shall provide an opportunity for supervised rest or sleep periods for each child under the age of five who is in care more than five hours, and for any other child, if desired by the child. For a child who is unable to sleep, the facility shall provide time and space for quiet play. The facility may place in a crib only an infant, a nonclimbing toddler, or a child identified as having special needs under 7 AAC 57.940, if appropriate.

(k) A child may be provisionally enrolled in a child care facility under (c)(3) or (4) of this section for not more than 30 days if the child's immunization records are not immediately available. If the immunization records are not located during the provisional enrollment period, or the records indicate that the child has not received the required immunizations, the child must be immunized as described in (b) of this section to continue attending the child care facility.

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