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IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES AND EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS OPERATED BY SCHOOLS 2013-14 School Year

Immunization requirements and recommendations for the 2013-2014 school year are based on the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommendations. The current immunization schedules, including catch up schedules, may be found at <http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/schedule.htm>.

K.A.R. 28-1-20 defines immunizations required for children attending child care facilities licensed by KDHE or early childhood programs operated by schools. The complete regulation is available at http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/download/KS_Imm_Regs_for_School_and_Childcare.pdf.

- **Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP):** five doses required. Doses given at 2 months, 4 months, 6 months, 15-18 months (4th dose may be given at 12 months provided at least 6 months after dose 3) and 5 years of age. Four doses acceptable if dose 4 given on or after the 4th birthday and 6 month after 3rd dose.
<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6001a4.htm>
- **Poliomyelitis (IPV/OPV):** four doses required. Doses given at 2 months, 4 months, 6-18 months and 4-5 years of age. One dose is required after age 4, with a 6 month minimum interval from previous dose.
- **Measles, Mumps, Rubella:** two doses required. Doses given between 12-15 months and 4-5 years of age.
- **Hepatitis B:** three doses required. Doses given at birth, 2 months, and 6-18 months of age.
- **Varicella (chickenpox):** two doses required unless history of varicella disease documented by a licensed physician. Doses given at 12-15 months and 4-6 years of age.
- **Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib):** four doses required for children less than 5 years of age. Doses given at 2 months, 4 months, 6 months and 12-15 months of age. Total doses needed for series completion is dependent on the type of vaccine and the age of the child when doses given.
- **Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV):** four doses required for children less than 5 years of age. Doses given at 2 months, 4 months, 6 months, and 12-15 months of age. Total doses needed dependent on the age of the child when doses given.
- **Hepatitis A:** two doses required for children less than 5 years of age. The first dose is given at 12 to 18 months of age, with a 6 month interval between the first and second doses.

In addition to the immunizations required for children attending child care facilities licensed by KDHE and early childhood programs operated by schools, the 2013 ACIP recommendations include the following additional immunizations:

- **Rotavirus:** three doses *recommended* for < 8 months of age; not required.
- **Influenza:** yearly vaccination *recommended* for all ages \geq 6 months of age; not required.

The complete Recommended ACIP with the minimum interval schedules can be found at:

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/ACIP-list.htm>

The minimum age and interval must be met for any vaccine dose to be considered valid.

Efforts by child care providers and schools have been central to the success of public health efforts in eliminating vaccine preventable diseases. Thank you for this success.



SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

Immunization requirements and recommendations for the 2013-2014 school year are based on the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommendations and the consensus of the Governor's Child Health Advisory Committee Immunization Workgroup.

K.A.R. 28-1-20 defines immunizations required for any individual who attends school or early childhood programs operated by a school. http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/download/KS_Imm_Regs_for_School_and_Childcare.pdf

- **Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP):** Five doses required. Four doses acceptable if dose 4 is given on or after the 4th birthday. A single dose of Tdap is required at Grades 7-12 if no previous history of Tdap vaccination regardless of interval since the last Td.
<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6001a4.htm>
- **Poliomyelitis (IPV/OPV):** Four doses required. Three doses acceptable. One dose required after age 4 regardless of the number of previous doses, with a 6 month minimum interval from the previous dose.
- **Measles, Mumps, Rubella:** two doses required.
- **Hepatitis B:** three doses required through grade 12.
- **Varicella (chickenpox):** two doses required for grades K-4 and 7-9; one dose required for grades 5-6 and 10-12 unless history of varicella disease documented by a licensed physician.
Two doses are currently *recommended* by the ACIP for all ages.
- **Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib):** four doses required for children less than 5 yrs of age in early childhood programs. Total doses needed for series completion is dependent on the type of vaccine and the age of the child when doses given.
- **Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV):** four doses required for children less than 5 yrs of age in early childhood programs. Total doses needed dependent on the age of the child when doses given.
- **Hepatitis A:** two doses required for children less than 5 years of age. The first dose is given at 12 to 18 months of age, with a 6 month interval between the first and second dose.

Detailed school immunization requirements by age group are listed on the 02/01/13 version of the Kansas Certificate of Immunization (KCI). http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/download/KCI_Form.pdf

In addition to the immunizations required for school entry listed above, the 2013 ACIP recommendations also include the following for school children:

- **Meningococcal (MCV4):** one dose *recommended* at 11 years with a booster dose at 16 yrs of age; not required for school entry. http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6003a3.htm?s_cid=mm6003a3_e%0d%0a
- **Human Papillomavirus (HPV):** three doses *recommended* for males and females at 11 years of age; not required for school entry.
- **Influenza:** yearly vaccination *recommended* for all ages \geq 6 months of age; not required for school entry.

The Recommended ACIP with minimum intervals can be found at: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/ACIP-list.htm>. The minimum age and interval must be met for any vaccine dose to be considered valid.

Efforts by schools have been central to the success of public health efforts in eliminating vaccine preventable diseases and protecting their students and families. Thank you for your dedication.

Immunization Requirements for the 2013 - 2014 School Year

K.A.R. 28-1-20 defines immunizations required for any individual who attends school or a childcare program operated by a school. There are changes in requirements for immunizations for the upcoming school year.

Please carefully review the requirements below. The usual number of doses required are listed; however there are exceptional circumstances that could alter the number of doses a child needs. If you have questions about your child's immunization status, contact your child's primary care provider or local health department.

Proof of receiving the immunizations must be provided to the school prior to attending the first day of school.

Early Childhood Program Operated by a School Ages 4 Years and Under

Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	4 doses
IPV (polio)	3 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	1 dose
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose*
Hepatitis A	2 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses
Hib (haemophilus influenza type B)	4 doses
Prevnar (pneumococcal conjugate)	4 doses

Kindergarten - Grade 4

Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	5 doses
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses*
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grades 5 - 6

Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	5 doses
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose**
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grades 7 - 9

Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap	1 dose***
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses*
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grades 10 - 12

Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap	1 dose***
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose**
Hepatitis B	3 doses

* Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine is not required if child has had chickenpox disease **and** disease is documented by a physician signature.

Without a physician signature, vaccine is required even if you believe child has had chickenpox disease.

** Although 1 dose of varicella is required for school attendance in these grades, 2 doses are recommended by the ACIP (Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices).

*** All 7th - 12th graders are required to have one dose of Tdap regardless of the interval since the last dose of Td (tetanus/diphtheria).

Additional ACIP Recommended Vaccines, NOT REQUIRED for School Entry

- Influenza (flu) vaccine yearly for everyone 6 months and older
- Meningitis vaccine at age 11 years and a booster at age 16 years
- HPV vaccine (a three dose series) at age 11 years

School Entry Physicals

Any new early childhood program or kindergarten student will need a school entry physical completed within 12 months prior to the first day of school.

New students under the age of 9 years who are attending a Kansas school for the first time, also require a physical as described above.

Documentation of the physical must be provided to the school prior to attending.

