

TITLE:	Immunization Guidelines for School Admission	<b>ROUTING</b> LD Superintendents Administrators of Operations				
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## MAJORThe guidance reflects changes in Health and Safety Code section 120325,CHANGES:which only allows exemption from immunization requirements for school<br/>admission for medical reasons through the California Immunization Registry –<br/>Medical Exemption (CAIR-ME).

This bulletin also reflects the addition of Universal Transitional Kindergarten (UTK) for the 2023-2024 school year; it further clarifies the immunization requirements for TK.

Additionally, this bulletin aligns with Assembly Bill No. 659, the Cancer Prevention Act, which requires schools to notify families of 6<sup>th</sup> graders about human papillomavirus (HPV).

- **PURPOSE:** The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance to schools that align District procedures with legal requirements and to protect all students from serious, preventable childhood diseases.
- **BACKGROUND:** In California, immunization records and/or current, valid medical exemption documentation must be presented as a condition of admission to school. Conditional admission shall be granted in specific circumstances and for identified student populations.



**GUIDELINES:** The following guidelines apply:

#### I. REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL ENTRY

- A. All children entering a California school at preschool or kindergarten level (or 1st grade if kindergarten was skipped), per the California Health and Safety Code Section, Division 105, Part 2, Chapter 1, Sections 120325-120380 and the California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Division 1, Chapter 4, Subchapter 8, Sections 6000-6075, require the immunizations against: poliomyelitis (polio); diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus (DTaP, DTP, Tdap or Td); measles, mumps, rubella (MMR); hepatitis B and varicella (chickenpox) prior to school entry.
  - 1. Oral polio vaccine (OPV) doses given on or after April 1, 2016, do not count.
  - 2. Students with a history of varicella disease require a Medical Exemption for the varicella vaccine completed by a Medical Doctor (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) licensed in the State of California.
  - 3. Effective January 1, 2021, all new medical exemptions must be issued through the CAIR-ME website.
- B. <u>Pre-school</u>
  - 1. In addition to the above immunizations, one Haemophilus influenzae type B (Hib) dose must be given on or after the first birthday, regardless of previous doses.
  - 2. This is a requirement only for children who have not reached the age of five years. See <u>Attachment C</u>.
  - 3. Oral polio vaccine (OPV) does not count.
- C. <u>Kindergarten (UTK/ETK/TK/K) Grade 12</u>
  - 1. Children seven years of age and older require the same immunizations as those required for kindergarten.
  - 2. In addition, all students entering grades 7-12 must show proof of Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis vaccine (Tdap) on or after seven years of age and a second dose of varicella.
- D. <u>Seventh Grade</u>
  - 1. All students entering and advancing to the seventh grade will need proof of a second dose of varicella vaccine and a Tdap (pertussis-containing) booster vaccine on or after their seventh birthday.
  - 2. The Tetanus diphtheria (Td) vaccine does *not* meet the requirement; however, Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis (DTaP/DTP) *will* meet the requirement if administered after the seventh birthday.



- E. For data entry purposes:
  - 1. Tdap must be entered in the Tdap field in My Integrated Student Information System (MiSiS).
  - 2. DTaP/DTP must be entered in the DTaP/DTP field only.
  - 3. Although both immunizations meet the requirement, they are NOT interchangeable in MiSiS and must be entered in the correct field.
  - 4. Td must be entered in the corresponding drop-down menu item; Diphtheria and tetanus (NO pertussis), not in the Tdap field.
- F. Refer to Attachments <u>A-C</u> for specific requirements. These attachments may be photocopied and used as quick references during registration. Information regarding current requirements is available at <u>shotsforschool.org</u>; also refer to <u>Attachment A</u> for support.

#### II. EXEMPTIONS TO THE STUDENT IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

- A. All new exemptions for school and childcare entry are provided for medical reasons only and must be issued through CAIR-ME beginning January 1, 2021.
- B. Medical exemptions can only be issued by a Medical Doctor (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) licensed in California and must meet applicable Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), <u>Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP)</u>, and American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) criteria.
- C. Schools and childcare facilities may only accept new medical exemptions that are issued using CAIR-ME.
- D. Parents/legal guardians of students with existing medical exemptions will need to submit a new exemption when the student begins a new grade span.
- E. Grade span is defined as each of the following: birth to preschool; Universal Transitional Kindergarten (UTK)/Extended Transitional Kindergarten (ETK)/Transitional Kindergarten (TK)/Kindergarten (K) through grade 6, inclusive; and grades 7 through 12, inclusive.
- F. Health care practitioners are authorized by law to sign a medical exemption ONLY if they are licensed in California as a Medical Doctor (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO). The California Licensed MD or DO must specify the term of the Medical Exemption:
  - 1. Temporary Medical Exemptions have a maximum time limit of one year.
  - 2. Permanent Medical Exemptions must be renewed at the next grade span (grade spans listed above).
  - 3. Medical Exemptions must state:



- a. The specific nature of the physical condition or medical circumstance for which the licensed physician does not recommend immunization;
- b. The probable duration of the physical condition or medical circumstance;
- c. Each specified required immunization from which the pupil is exempt; and
- d. An expiration date of no more than 12 calendar months from the date of signing if the exemption is temporary.

#### III. THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS IMMUNIZATION ENFORCING REQUIREMENTS

- A. The CA Code of Regulations charges the school administrator with enforcing these immunization requirements.
- B. The school nurse is available to assist with this responsibility. Since verification of immunization and/or valid medical exemption are required for school admission, office personnel who register new students must be familiar with these requirements.
- C. Parents/legal guardians who do not have a written immunization record for their child are to be referred to their health care provider, a school-based clinic or the health department, as appropriate, to obtain the required immunizations and/or written immunization verification for their child prior to school entry.
- D. Schools shall not admit or enroll students unless immunization requirements are met, except in circumstances when Conditional Admission must be granted as outlined below. The following students will be granted Conditional Admission and enrolled immediately, regardless of the availability of immunization records or whether the immunizations are up to date or complete:
  - 1. Students who are in foster care.
  - 2. Students experiencing homelessness.
  - 3. Migrant students (for the definition of **migrant student** see <u>https://www.lausd.org/domain/1454</u>).
  - 4. Students who are members of an active-duty military family.
  - 5. Students who have an active Individual Education Program plan (IEP).
- E. For children admitted conditionally, the school nurse will review records at least every 30 days and may exclude students if immunization requirements are not met within the required timelines.
- F. Pupils will no longer be required to have immunizations for entry if they attend an independent study program with no classroom-based instruction (e.g. LAUSD Virtual Academies).
  - 1. These academies are still required to record immunizations for all students at entry.



2. They must complete the annual state report on the immunization status of all students at the checkpoints of childcare, kindergarten program, and seventh grade.

#### IV. FIRST ADMISSION TO SCHOOL

Children entering school for the first time must possess a written immunization record showing receipt of each required dose of vaccine. This record must show the date of each dose. Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR) vaccine administered in the month of the first birthday is valid, if it has been administered four or fewer days prior to the minimum required age (one year old).

- A. <u>Unconditional Admission (UTK/ETK/TK/K-12)</u> is granted to students who have:
  - 1. Met all immunization requirements.
  - 2. File a medical exemption signed by a California-licensed MD or DO provider (students with an expired medical exemption must then meet immunization requirements).
  - 3. Reached 18 years of age or older.
- B. <u>Conditional Admission (Pre-school)</u> is granted to students who have:
  - 1. Completed all age-appropriate immunizations required to date (see <u>Attachment C</u>). All pre-school students are admitted *conditionally* since immunization schedules cannot be completed due to age.
  - 2. Hib immunization is required for first school entry for all students between the ages of fifteen months to five years.
- C. <u>Conditional Admission (UTK/ETK/TK/K-12)</u> is granted to students who have been partially immunized and succeeding vaccine doses are not yet due (See <u>Attachment C</u>).
  - 1. Note: If the maximum time interval between doses has already been exceeded, the next required doses must be received before admission. The remaining required doses must be received according to the vaccine schedule.
  - 2. A primary immunization series *does not* have to be restarted if the interval between doses is prolonged.
- D. <u>Conditional Admission</u> is also to be granted to students who are in foster care, experiencing homelessness, migrant, active-duty military family, or who have an active Individual Education Plan (IEP). These students should be enrolled immediately, regardless of the availability of immunization records or whether immunizations are up to date or complete.
- E. <u>Required Follow-up on Conditional Admission:</u>
  - 1. For children admitted conditionally, the school nurse will review records at least every 30 days and may exclude students if



immunization requirements are not met within the required timelines.

- 2. Parents/guardians are to be notified of the date the immunization is due. At this time, they are also to be notified of the date the student will be excluded if the immunization is not received within ten school days.
- 3. School Nurses have access to the Welligent system to generate letters and mailing labels. The letters are marked with missing immunizations based upon the information entered into MiSiS and include the date the student is to be excluded (see sample letter, <u>Attachment C</u>).

#### V. ADMISSION OF TRANSFERRING STUDENTS

- A. Parents or legal guardians of students shall provide immunization records and may present one of the following documents at the time of enrollment:
  - 1. Official written immunization record
  - 2. Copy of the California School Immunization Record Card (CSIR)
  - 3. If records are not available, or not presented at the time of transfer, school personnel may determine in MiSiS if all immunizations are complete.
- B. Students transferring from another district (i.e., outside of L.A. Unified, from another state, or independent charter schools) who do not present a written immunization record or valid medical exemption will not be admitted or enrolled until they meet California immunization requirements, except for students in foster care, experiencing homelessness, migrant, active-duty military family, or who have an active Individual Education Plan (IEP).
  - 1. These students are to be granted Conditional Admission and enrolled immediately, regardless of the availability of immunization records or whether immunizations are up to date or complete.
  - 2. School personnel shall make every effort to obtain records from previous schools and/or students.
- C. A student enrolling or transferring from another country must meet the same requirements as any student entering school for the first time.
  - 1. School personnel shall refer any family without an immunization record or with a foreign record, which the school cannot translate, to their health care provider, local health department, school-based clinic, as appropriate or Student Medical Services by telephone at 213-202-7590.



2. The only exception is for students in foster care, experiencing homelessness, migrant, active-duty military family, or who have an active Individual Education Program plan (IEP). These students are to be granted Conditional Admission and enrolled immediately, regardless of the availability of immunization records or whether immunizations are up to date or complete.

#### VI. COPIES OF IMMUNIZATION RECORDS

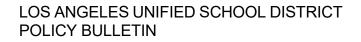
- A. Upon request, LAUSD schools should provide parents/legal guardians a copy of the CSIR card.
- B. Parents/legal guardians who request copies of immunization records may be referred to the school nurse or a school-based clinic.

#### VII. EXCLUSION AND EXPOSURE TO DISEASE

- A. A student who was admitted conditionally and failed to obtain the required immunizations within the time periods specified in <u>Attachment A</u> (Conditional Admission) may be excluded by the school nurse until they receive another dose of each vaccine required at that time.
- B. The school administrator is charged by the California Code of Regulations 120325 to exclude a student who does not meet the immunization requirements within the specified time periods when the following conditions are met:
  - 1. Parent/Legal Guardian has been informed of public sources of immunization administration.
  - 2. Parent/Legal Guardian has been notified at least ten school days before the date of exclusion.
- C. When a student who has not been completely immunized against a particular communicable disease is believed to have been exposed to that disease, the school administrator must report this information immediately by telephone to the Communicable Disease Desk at District Nursing Services at 213-202-7548.
  - 1. The District Nursing Services Branch Communicable Disease Desk will work with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LACDPH) to determine whether the student is at risk of developing the disease.
  - 2. If so, the student may be excluded until the completion of the incubation period and the period of communicability of the disease.
  - 3. The legal authorization for temporary exclusion from a school or other institution is applicable only to a child who has been exposed to a specified disease and whose documentary proof of immunization status does not show proof of immunization.

#### VIII. RECORD-KEEPING

- A. The health care provider or health agency performing the immunizations must give a written record to the student or parent/guardian containing the following information:
  - 1. Full legal name of child
  - 2. Birth date of child
  - 3. Type of vaccine(s) administered
  - 4. Date of each immunization (month/day/year)
  - 5. Name of health care provider or health agency administering vaccine(s)
- B. While the Immunization Record is the most used, a variety of written records such as the Student Transfer Form, CSIR, or PM 171A "Report of Health Examination for School" may be used for this purpose.
  - 1. At the time of enrollment, school personnel should make a photocopy of the written immunization record. The copy should be kept with the student's health card.
  - 2. School office clerical staff shall enter immunization data along with other enrollment information into MiSiS.
  - 3. Current MiSiS job aides are available at <u>https://lausd.org/nursing</u> E-Library ➡ References ➡ Quick Guides ➡ MiSiS.
- C. California School Immunization Record (CSIR)
  - 1. The CSIR is part of the student's permanent record (see <u>Attachment E</u>). Once the immunizations are entered into MiSiS, the record may be printed from Welligent either by student ID or by grade level. The CSIR card is also required for each new admission at other grade levels through grade 12 for whom no previous permanent record exists.
  - 2. The requirement for immunization records on a CSIR card also refers to students in the Early Education Program and preschool age children participating in school-based programs.
  - 3. LAUSD policy requires that all records of immunization and/or an immunization medical exemption shall be reviewed for accuracy and entered into MiSiS immediately at the time of admission and enrollment. Additional immunization information for students who are conditionally admitted shall be entered into MiSiS upon receipt.
  - 4. When a medical exemption is received, it must be documented in MiSiS to be accurately reflected on the CSIR card, scanned and uploaded in the student's electronic health record and placed in the student's health record.





## IX. REPORTING TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

- A. The school administrator at each school, with the support of District Nursing Services, must ensure that specific required health reports are submitted annually by the indicated deadlines set by the State of California Department of Public Health:
  - 1. Kindergarten Immunization Assessment Report
  - 2. Childcare/Preschool Immunization Assessment Report
  - 3. Seventh Grade Immunization Assessment Report
- B. Additional health reports may be requested at any time by the Department of Public Health. Instructions for completing required health reports are sent to schools through LAUSD District Nursing Services Branch.

#### X. NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR RECOMMENDED HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS (HPV) VACCINATION

Assembly Bill No. 659, the Cancer Prevention Act, requires schools to notify families of 6th graders about human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination recommendations (see <u>Attachment F – LAUSD HPV</u> <u>Vaccination Recommendation Letter</u>).

## AUTHORITY: The California Health and Safety Code Section, Division 105, Part 2, Chapter 1, Sections 120325-120380

California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Division 1, Chapter 4, Subchapter 8, Sections 6000-6075.

# RELATED AB 2109 (Pan), Chapter 821, Statutes of 2012, amending Health & Safety Code, Section 120365 BUL-6718, Educational Rights and Guidelines for Youth in Foster Care, Experiencing Homelessness and/or Involved in the Juvenile Justice System California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Division 1, Chapter 4, Subchapter 8, Sections 6000-6075 California Immunization Handbook for School and Childcare Programs, 12th Edition, May 2023

Department of Public Health, Shots for School website: Shots for School California Ed Code, Section 48204.6 (c) (3)

Health and Safety Code, Division 105, Part 2, Chapter 1, Sections 120325-120380 (formerly Sections 3380-3390)

SB 277, Chapter 35, amending Health & Safety Code, Sections 120325, 120335, 120370, and 120375 of, to add Section 120338 to, and to repeal Section 120365



ATTACHMENTS:	ATTACHMENT A – Office Guide for Immunizations: School Admission and Enrollment
	ATTACHMENT B – Immunization Status and School Admission Quick Reference
	ATTACHMENT C – English CDPH Required Immunizations for School Entry
	ATTACHMENT C-1 – Spanish CDPH Required Immunizations for School Entry
	ATTACHMENT D – English Medical Services Division's Notice of Immunization(s) Due
	ATTACHMENT D-1 – Spanish Medical Services Division's Notice of Immunization(s) Due
	ATTACHMENT E – California Pre-Kindergarten and School Immunization Record
	ATTACHMENT F – English LAUSD HPV Vaccination Recommendation Letter
	<u>ATTACHMENT F-1</u> – <i>Spanish</i> LAUSD HPV Vaccination Recommendation Letter

**ASSISTANCE:** For assistance or further information, please contact:



#### OFFICE GUIDE FOR IMMUNIZATIONS: SCHOOL ADMISSION AND ENROLLMENT (for school office use)

Please refer to the California Department of Public Health website or current information and updates.

Children in UTK/ETK/TK/K through 12th grade must comply with immunization requirements (see page 4 of this bulletin). Students aged 18 or older are exempt from immunizations.

Parent/Guardian signature is not acceptable for immunization verification of children enrolling in school.

Parents/Guardians who do not have a written immunization record for their child are to be referred to their health care provider, LAUSD school-based clinic, or the health department to obtain the required immunizations and/or written immunization verification for their child prior to school entry. Do not allow the child to enroll or childcare unless the requirements are met. Refer to bulletin for conditional admission guidelines.

The California School Immunization Record (CSIR) card is the official permanent immunization record. Immunizations shall be recorded in MiSiS at the time of enrollment and may be printed by school personnel and kept with the cumulative record. CSIR is automatically generated into the student's Welligent electronic health record after immunizations are entered into MiSiS, along with subsequent immunization record updates entered into MiSiS.

For children admitted conditionally, the school nurse will review records at least every 30 days and may exclude students if immunization requirements are not met within 30 days of enrollment.

Parent/Guardian must be notified at least 10 school days in advance of immunizations that are due and the date the student is to be excluded (See <u>Attachment B</u>).

Beginning January 1, 2021, all **new** medical exemptions must be issued through the <u>California Immunization Registry-Medical Exemption website (CAIR-ME)</u> and are provided to the school for admission. Medical Exemptions can only be issued by a California-licensed Medical Doctor (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathy (DO). These students are admitted unconditionally. Valid medical exemptions on file for students in attendance at a California school or pre-kindergarten facility prior to January 1, 2021, may remain valid until the student enrolls in the next grade span, typically at kindergarten (or transitional kindergarten) or seventh grade.

All children entering a California school for the first time require immunization against varicella or a Medical Exemption from CAIR-ME signed by a California-licensed MD or DO stating that the child is exempt from varicella (chickenpox) vaccine due to having had the disease.

All pre-school and Early Education Center students without a valid Medical Exemption must be immunized as per schedule at the time of enrollment (see page 2 of this bulletin).

Children under the age of five years require at least one Haemophilus influenza B (Hib) dose given on or after first birthday regardless of previous doses.

All students entering the seventh grade must have two doses of varicella-containing vaccine. Students in ungraded classes must receive the second dose of varicella-containing vaccine by age 12.

All students entering seventh grade will need proof\_of a Tdap booster on or after their seventh birthday. Td vaccine does not meet the requirement. All students in grades 7-12 must have proof of a Tdap booster on or after their seventh birthday. **\*Students who unconditionally or conditionally meet admission requirements shall be immediately enrolled.** The most current version of this handout, in English and Spanish, is always available at <u>Shots for School</u>



Immunization Status and School Admission Quick Reference								
Immunization Status	School office action(s)	Additional Actions / Considerations						
Student's immunization record reflects that the child has met all requirements for age or grade for vaccines, OR provides a permanent medical exemption completed by a California licensed physician (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) from CAIR-ME.	Admit unconditionally and enroll. For medical exemption questions, contact your school nurse or Region Nursing Office.	n/a						
Student's immunization record reflects for each dose not met, one of the following: A temporary medical exemption (TME) completed by a California-licensed MD/DO from CAIR-ME. OR At least one dose of every required vaccine and no deadlines for next doses have passed.	Admit conditionally and enroll. Notify caregiver that admission is conditional. Inform caregiver of upcoming doses and that child may be excluded from school if deadlines are missed. Provide caregiver with information about required vaccinations for school admission ( <u>Attachment A</u> ) and free/low-cost resources to obtain needed vaccinations. Immediately inform school nurse.	For children admitted conditionally, school nurse will review records at least every 30 days and may exclude student if immunization requirements are not met within required timelines.						
<ul> <li>Child is in foster care, homeless, migrant, active- duty military family, or has an active Individual Education Plan (IEP).</li> <li>Child's record shows no proof of immunization compliance, valid medical exemption.</li> <li>OR shows missing doses without a valid temporary or permanent medical exemption.</li> <li>OR no proof of at least 1 dose of every required vaccine, and/or deadlines for missing doses have passed.</li> </ul>	Admit conditionally and enroll. Contact prior school(s) and/or social worker in an effort to obtain copies of any available immunization records. If unable to obtain copies from prior school(s) and/or social worker, schools may contact Student Support Programs (213) 241- 3840 and/or other contacts provided by caregiver. Immediately inform school nurse, who may access additional records, such as CAIR. Notify caregiver that admission is conditional, inform of upcoming doses and that child may be excluded from school if deadlines are missed. Provide caregiver, Guide to Immunization for School Entry ( <u>Attachment C</u> ) and free/low-cost resources to obtain needed vaccinations.	For children admitted conditionally, school nurse will review records at least every 30 days and may exclude student if immunization requirements are not met within required timelines.						
Child's record shows no proof of immunization compliance, valid medical exemption OR shows missing doses without a valid temporary or permanent medical exemption OR no proof of at least 1 dose of every required vaccine, and/or deadlines for missing doses have passed.	Do not admit or enroll Inform caregiver that proof of immunization compliance is a condition of school admission. Provide Guide to Immunization for School Entry ( <u>Attachment C</u> ) and free/low-cost resources to obtain needed vaccinations. Return enrollment packet to caregiver until conditions of admission are met.	Before returning enrollment packet to caregiver, consider copying the first sheet to maintain contact information for the family to support any needed follow up or outreach efforts.						



Immunization Status and School Admission Quick Reference								
	Related Definitions:							
Admission	The process for meeting the requirements that then a be enrolled in a school.	allows a student to						
	<ul> <li>Requirements for admission in California school districts include:</li> <li>Proof of meeting the residency (attendance area) requirements or having a valid permit authorizing admission/enrollment (including affidavits, if needed).</li> <li>Proof of meeting the age requirements (including affidavits, if needed).</li> <li>Proof of meeting the immunization requirements defined by the State of California, Department of Health Services OR meeting the documented exceptions to these requirements (i.e., valid medical exemption).</li> </ul>							
	<ul> <li>Admission may be conditional, or unconditional, as defined below.</li> <li><u>Unconditional Admission</u>: student fully meets all conditions of admission and may enroll in school without anything pending.</li> <li><u>Conditional Admission</u>: student conditionally meets conditions of admission and may enroll in school, but some follow-up is required.</li> </ul>							
Enrollment	The process of registering (acceptance of all necessa documentation), assignment to class(es) and the pre student in class (elementary) or into each scheduled	sence of the						
Definitions: Students with a Legal Right to Conditional Admission (regardless of Immunization Record status) and Immediate Enrollment	Identification	Contact for Assistance						
"Pupil in foster care" means a child who has been removed from their home pursuant to Section 309 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, is the subject of an open court case filed under Section 300 or 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code or has been removed from their home and is the subject of a petition filed under Section 300 or 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. These situations are typically case managed by the Department of Children and Family Services. Pupils under this definition may also be under Probation supervision if they meet the above criteria. Pupils in foster care may be enrolled without records normally required for enrollment (EC §48850).	DCFS 1399 form; "SP" alert <u>may</u> appear on student profile in MiSiS; additional information may be available under Census tab>Out of Home Care.	Student Support Services Programs (213) 241-3840.						



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Related Definitions:								
"Pupil who is a homeless child or youth" means a pupil who meets the definition of "homeless child or youth" in Section 11434a(2) of Title 42 of the United States Code, or individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. LAUSD uses the Student Housing Questionnaire (SHQ) to identify eligible students experiencing homelessness and provide support services. Pupils experiencing homelessness maybe be enrolled without records normally required for enrollment (EC §48850).	Student Housing Questionnaire (enrollment) may appear on student profile in MiSiS; additional information may be available under Census tab>Homeless	Student Support Services Programs (213) 241-3840						
"Pupil who is a child of a military family" means a school-aged child or children, enrolled in Kindergarten through Twelfth (12th) grade, in the time duty status in the active uniformed service of the United States, including members of the National Guard and Reserve on active- duty orders pursuant to 10 U.S.C. Sections 1209 and 1211. Pupils who are children of active-duty military families may be enrolled without records normally required for enrollment (EC §48204.6, §49701).	Student Emergency Card (enrollment packet); information may appear under Enrollment tab > Military Family Members	Student Support Services Programs (213) 241-3840						
"Pupil who is a migratory child" is a "Currently migratory child," or is a child who has moved with a parent, guardian, or other person having custody, from one school district to another, either within the State of California or from another state, within the 12-month period immediately preceding his or her identification as such a child, in order that the child, a parent, guardian, or other member of his or her immediate family might secure temporary or seasonal employment in an agricultural or fishing activity, and whose parents or guardians have been informed of the child's eligibility for migrant education services. "Currently migratory child," includes a child who, without parent or guardian, has continued to migrate annually to secure temporary or seasonal employment in an agricultural or fishing activity. Pupils who are migratory children may be enrolled without records normally required for enrollment (EC §48204.7). Includes students participating in the Migrant Education Program.	Migrant Education Form (enrollment packet); Migrant information may appear under Census tab > Migrant	Beyond the Bell/Migrant Education Program (213) 241-0510						
<b>Student with an Individual Education Plan</b> is a student who qualifies for an Individual Education Plan (Health and Safety Code §120355 (h)).	Enrollment form and copy of IEP provided at the time of enrollment and/or IEP records received from prior school(s) and/or available in MiSiS under Services tab > Special Education	Region Special Education Administrator						



## Parents/Guardians – Are Your Kids Ready for School? REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS FOR SCHOOL ENTRY



Please bring your child's immunization records with you at the time of registration. You may view and print a digital copy of your child's California vaccine record at: **MyVaccineRecord.CDPH.CA.gov** 

#### Students Entering Transitional Kindergarten or Kindergarten Need Records of:

<b>Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis (DTaP, DTP, Tdap or Td) — 5 doses</b> 4 doses OK if one was given on or after 4th birthday; 3 doses OK if one was given on or after 7th birthday.
Polio (IPV or OPV) — 4 doses 3 doses OK if one was given on or after 4th birthday. Oral polio vaccine (OPV) doses given on or after April 1, 2016, do not count.
Hepatitis B — 3 doses
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR) — 2 doses Both doses must be given on or after 1st birthday.
Varicella (Chickenpox) — 2 doses
New and Transfer Students Entering TK/K-12th Grade Need Records of:
All immunizations listed above For 7th-12th graders: at least 1 dose of pertussis-containing vaccine is required on or after 7th birthday. Hepatitis B vaccine is required for any grade, except for entry into 7th grade.
Students Starting 7th Grade Need Records of:

- □ Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis (Tdap) −1 dose
- □ Varicella (Chickenpox) 2 doses

#### What other immunizations should I ask my health care provider about?

When you visit your health care provider for back-to-school immunizations, make sure to also ask about other vaccines that help keep your child healthy, including **hepatitis A**, **COVID-19**, **and the annual flu vaccine**.

Preteens and teens should also get the **human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine** to protect against certain cancers and **meningococcal vaccines**.

Learn more about <u>vaccines your child needs according to their age</u> (bit.ly/CDCVaccinesByAge) and <u>where you can get your child immunized</u> (bit.ly/Where2BVaxed).

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## Parents' Guide to Immunizations Required for Pre-Kindergarten (Child Care)



Parents must show their child's Immunization Record as proof of immunizations (shots) before starting pre-kindergarten (child care) and at each age checkpoint after entry:

Age at Entry/checkpoint	Required Doses
	1 Polio 1 DTaP
2–3 Months	1 Hep B
	1 Hib
	2 Polio
4-5 Months	2 DTaP
	2 Hep B
	2 Hib
	2 Polio
6-14 Months	3 DTaP
	2 Hep B 2 Hib
	3 Polio
	3 DTaP
15-17 Months	2 Hep B
	<b>1 Hib</b> * (on or after 1st birthday)
	1 Varicella
	1 MMR (on or after 1st birthday)
	3 Polio
	4 DTaP
18 Months–5 Years	3 Hep B
	1 Hib* (on or after 1st birthday)
	1 Varicella
	<b>1 MMR</b> (on or after 1st birthday)

\* One Hib dose must be given on or after the 1st birthday regardless of previous doses. Required only for children younger than 5 years old.

Polio = inactivated <u>polio</u> vaccine (IPV)	Hep B = <u>hepatitis B</u> vaccine
(oral polio vaccine [OPV] does not count)	Varicella = <u>chickenpox</u> vaccine
DTaP = <u>diphtheria toxoid</u> , <u>tetanus toxoid</u> ,	Hib = <u>Haemophilus influenzae, type B</u> vaccine
and acellular <u>pertussis</u> vaccine	MMR = <u>measles</u> , <u>mumps</u> , and <u>rubella</u> vaccine

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#### Padres/Tutores Legales – ¿Están sus hijos listos para la escuela? INMUNIZACIONES REQUERIDAS PARA LA ADMISION A LA ESCUELA



Por favor presente los registros de inmunización de su hijo en el momento de la inscripción. Puede ver e imprimir una copia digital del registro de vacunas de California de su hijo en: MyVaccineRecord.CDPH.CA.gov

## Estudiantes que ingresan a kindergarten de transición o kindergarten necesitan registros de las siguientes vacunas:

Difteria, tétanos y tos ferina (DTaP, DTP, Tdap o Td) — 5 dosis
 4 dosis son aceptables si se administró en o después de los 4 años;
 3 dosis aceptables si se administró en o después de los 7 años.

#### □ Poliomielitis (IPV u OPV) — 4 dosis

3 dosis son aceptables si se administró en o después de los 4 años. Las dosis de la vacuna oral contra la poliomielitis (OPV, por sus siglas en inglés) administradas el 1 de abril de 2016 o después, no cuentan.

- □ Hepatitis B 3 dosis
- □ Sarampión, paperas y rubéola (MMR) 2 dosis

Ambas dosis deben administrarse en o después del primer cumpleaños.

□ Varicela — 2 dosis

#### Los estudiantes nuevos y que se trasladan e ingresan a Grados TK/K-12 necesitan registros de las siguientes vacunas:

#### **D** Todas las inmunizaciones enumeradas anteriormente

Para estudiantes en grados 7-12: Se requiere al menos 1 dosis de la vacuna que contenga tos ferina en o después de los 7 años. La vacuna contra la hepatitis B es necesaria para cualquier grado, excepto para ingresar al grado 7.

## Los estudiantes que comienzan el grado 7 necesitan registros de las siguientes vacunas:

- □ Tétanos, difteria, tos ferina (Tdap) −1 dosis
- □ Varicela 2 dosis

#### ¿Sobre qué otras vacunas debo preguntar a mi proveedor de atención médica?

Cuando visite a su proveedor de atención médica para recibir vacunas para el regreso a la escuela, asegúrese de preguntar también sobre otras vacunas que ayudan a mantener a su hijo saludable, como la hepatitis A, COVID-19 y la vacuna anual contra la influenza.

Los preadolescentes y adolescentes también deben recibir la **vacuna** contra **el virus del papiloma humano (VPH)** para protegerse contra ciertos cánceres y **vacunas** contra **el meningococo**.

**Obtenga más información sobre** <u>las vacunas que su hijo necesita según su edad</u> (bit.ly/CDCVaccinesByAge) y <u>dónde puede vacunar a su hijo</u> (bit.ly/Where2BVaxed).

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Guía de Inmunizaciones para Padres **Requerido para Pre-Kindergarten** (Cuidado Infantil)



Los padres deben mostrar el registro de vacunación de su hijo como comprobante de inmunizaciones (vacunas) antes de comenzar el pre-kindergarten (cuidado infantil) y en cada punto de verificación después de la admisión:

Edad al momento de admisión/punto de verificación	Dosis requeridas
2– 3 meses	1 Poliomielitis 1 DTaP 1 Hep B 1 Hib
4 - 5 meses	2 Poliomielitis 2 DTaP 2 Hep B 2 Hib
6 - 14 meses	2 Poliomielitis 3 DTaP 2 Hep B 2 Hib
15 - 17 meses	<ul> <li>3 Poliomielitis</li> <li>3 DTaP</li> <li>2 Hep B</li> <li>1 Hib* (en o después del primer cumpleaños)</li> <li>1 Varicela</li> <li>1 MMR (en o después del primer cumpleaños)</li> </ul>
18 meses–5 años	<ul> <li>3 Poliomielitis</li> <li>4 DTaP</li> <li>3 Hep B</li> <li>1 Hib* (en o después del primer cumpleaños)</li> <li>1 Varicela</li> <li>1 MMR (en o después del primer cumpleaños)</li> </ul>

\* Se debe administrar una dosis de Hib en o después del primer cumpleaños, independientemente de administración de dosis anteriores. Se requiere solo para niños menores de 5 años.

Poliomielitis = Vacuna inactiva contra la <u>poliomielitis</u> (IPV) (Vacuna oral contra la poliomielitis [OPV] no cuenta) DTaP = <u>toxoide diftérico</u>, <u>toxoide tetánico</u>, Y vacuna acelular contra la <u>tos ferina</u> <u>rubéola</u> Hep B = Vacuna contra la <u>hepatitis B</u> Varicela = Vacuna contra la <u>varicela</u> Hib = Vacuna <u>Anti-Haemophilus influenzae,</u>tipo B MMR=Vacuna contra <u>sarampión</u>, <u>paperas</u> y

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#### Los Angeles Unified School District Medical Services Division School Name: School Address:

#### NOTICE OF IMMUNIZATION(S) DUE

Dear Parent/Guardian of:

ROOM: GRADE: DATE:

Our records show that your child needs the following immunization(s) (shots) to meet the requirements of the California Health and Safety Code Section, Division 105, Part 2, Chapter 1, Sections 120325-120380 and the California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Division 1, Chapter 4, Subchapter 8, Sections 6000-6075 to remain enrolled in school.

#### MISSING DOSE(S) MARKED BELOW:

Vaccine	1 <sup>st</sup> Dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose	3 <sup>rd</sup> Dose	4 <sup>th</sup> Dose	5 <sup>th</sup> Dose
Polio (Oral polio vaccine (OPV) doses give n on or given after April 1, 2016 do not count)					
DTaP (given as Td or Tdap for 7yo & above)					
Tdap (7''' - 12th grade)					
MMR (1" dose must be on or after first birthday)					
Hib (Preschool Only. Ages 15mo-5yrs, must be on or after first birthday)					
Hepatitis B					
Varicella (chickenpox)					

#### YOU NEED TO DO ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING IMMEDIATELY:

1. If your child has already received all these immunizations marked above, bring us the immunization record so that we can update our files. Your child's record must include date/s (mm/dd/yyyy) for the immunizations checked above and the doctor's/clinic's name.

If your child has not already received all the immunizations marked above. bring this form along with your child's immunization record to your doctor or local health department. For students who do not have private insurance coverage, immunizations are available at low cost from the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services. For more information. please call 211 (https://211la.org) for the location of free immunization clinics. The school-based immunization clinics (https://achieve.lausd.ne/immunizations) are open during school hours for students without insurance, Medi-Cal recipients, Alaskan or Native American. Please provide the school with a copy of your child's updated immunization record after every immunization visit until all the required immunizations have been received.

 If any of these immunizations were not given to your child because of medical reasons. please submit a completed medical exemption form issued using the CAIR-Medical Exemption website <u>https://cair-me.cdph.ca.gov/home</u> by your child's doctor (MD or DO licensed in California).

## According to state law, we cannot allow your child to attend unless we receive evidence that the above requirements are met by this date: Exclusion Date \_\_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_.

For more information on school immunization requirements, visit the <u>Shots for School</u> website. I you have any questions or require additional information, please call School Phone Number

Sincerely,

Principal's Name:

Credentialed School Nurse's Name:



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#### Distrito Escolar Unificado de Los Ángeles División de Servicios Médicos Nombre de la Escuela: Dirección de la Escuela:

#### NOTIFICACIÓN DE INMUNIZACIÓN/ES VENCIDAS

Estimado padre de familia/tutor legal de: \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ AULA: \_\_\_\_\_GRADO:\_\_\_\_ FECHA: \_\_\_\_\_

Nuestros registros muestran que su estudiante necesita la siguiente inmunización (vacunas) para cumplir con los requisitos del Código de Salud y Seguridad de California, Sección División 105, Parte 2, Capítulo 1, Secciones 120325-120380 y el Código de Regulaciones de California, Título 17, División 1, Capítulo 4, Subcapítulo 8, Secciones 6000-6075 para permanecer inscrito en la escuela. **DOSIS QUE FALTAN SE MARCAN A CONTINUACIÓN:** 

Vacuna	1 <sup>a</sup> dosis	2 <sup>ª</sup> dosis	3ª dosis	4ª dosis	5 <sup>a</sup> dosis
Poliomielitis (las dosis de la vacuna oral contra la poliomielitis (OPV) administradas en o después del 1 de abril de 2016 no cuentan)					
DTaP (administradas como Td o Tdap a 7 años y mayores)					
Tdap (grados 7-12)					
MMR (1ª dosis debe ser en o después del primer cumpleaños)					
Hib (Solamente preescolar. Edades 15 meses a 5 <b>años</b> , debe administrarse en o después del primer cumpleaños)					
Hepatitis B					
Varicela					

#### NECESITA TOMAR UNA O MÁS DE LAS SIGUIENTES MEDIDAS INMEDIATAMENTE:

 Si su estudiante ya ha recibido todas las inmunizaciones marcadas anteriormente, por favor presente el registro de inmunización para actualizar nuestros archivos. El registro de su estudiante debe incluir la/s fecha/s) (mm/dd/aaaa) para las inmunizaciones marcadas anteriormente y el nombre del doctor/clínica.

Si su estudiante aún no ha recibido todas las inmunizaciones marcadas anteriormente, presente este formulario junto con el registro de inmunización a su médico p departamento de salud local. Para los estudiantes que no tienen cobertura de seguro, las inmunizaciones están disponibles a bajo costo a través del Departamento de Salud del Condado de Los Ángeles. Para obtener más información, favor de llamar al 211 (<u>https://211la.org</u>) para ver la ubicación de las clínicas de inmunizaciones gratuitas. Las clínicas escolares de inmunización (https://achieve.lausd.net/immunizations) están abiertas durante el horario escolar para los estudiantes que no tienen seguro médico, los beneficiarios de Medi-Cal, originarios de Alaska nativos americanos. Por favor proporcione a la escuela con una copia del registro actualizado de inmunización de su estudiante después de cada visita de inmunización hasta que el estudiante haya recibido todas las inmunizaciones.

4. Si su estudiante no ha recibido alguna de estas inmunizaciones debido a razones médicas, por favor envíe un formulario de exención médica completado emitido utilizando el sitio web de Exención Médica CAIR-Me: <u>https://cair-me.cdph.ca.gov/home</u> por el médico de su estudiante (MD o DO con licencia en California).

De acuerdo con la ley estatal, no podemos permitir que su estudiante asista a la escuela a menos que recibamos evidencia de que los requisitos anteriores se cumplen para esta fecha: Fecha de exclusión /////. Para obtener más información sobre los requisitos de inmunización, visite el sitio web de <u>Shots for School</u>. Si tiene preguntas o si requiere más información, favor de llamar al número de teléfono de la escuela

Atentamente,

Nombre del Director:

Nombre del Personal de Enfermería con Autorización:



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California Pre-Kindergarten and School Immunization Record Staff must record the required vaccine dose information and status of requirements for each pupil. See reverse side for guidance.												
Pupil Name (Last, First, Middle):			Se information and status of required statewide Student Identifier (SSID):				tino [ nic/	ace: African American/ Black American Indian/	Native H	awaiian/ acific Islander		
Name of Parent/Guardian (Last	t, First)	:		Birthdate (M/D/YY): Gender:			Alaska Native ] Asian	Other				
Required Vaccine		1 <sup>ST</sup>	Date Each Do 2 <sup>ND</sup>	se Was Given 3 <sup>RD</sup>	(MM/DD/Y) <b>4<sup>тн</sup></b>	1	Permanent Medical 5 <sup>TH</sup> Exemption		Notes for School	Notes for School Requirements		
IPV / OPV (Polio)				Age:yrs.					4 doses meet TK/K-12 r if ≥1 dose given at age	equirement, as ≥4 years.	s do: 3 doses,	
<b>DTaP / DTP –</b> Age 0-6 years <b>Tdap / Td –</b> Age 7+ years (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis)				Age:yrs.	Age:y	s.			5 doses meet TK/K-12 requirement, as do: 4 doses, if ≥1 dose given at age ≥4 years; 3 doses, if ≥1 Tdap dose at age ≥7 years; Tdap dose may meet 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade requirement.			
MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rube	ella)	Age: <u>mo</u> .							2 doses meet TK/K-12 r given at age ≥1 year.	requirement. D	oses must be	
Hib (Haemophilus influenzae ty	ype b)								Required for pre-kinder At least 1 dose must be	garten only. given at age ≥	1 year.	
Hep B (Hepatitis B)									3 doses meet TK/K-12 r	•		
VAR / VZV (Varicella/Chickenpe	ox)								2 doses meet TK/K–12	•		
<b>Tdap –</b> 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis)		Age:yrs.							1 dose given at age ≥7 for 7 <sup>th</sup> grade advancem admission.	ent and 7 <sup>th</sup> –12	requirement 2 <sup>th</sup> grade	
	Sta	aff Initials	Has All		Requires	s Follow-u			Follow-up Date(s)	Other	Date	
Status of Requirements	l rev	/iewed pupil's	Required	Temporary Medical Exemp	tion Not	g Doses Currently Conditional	Overdu	g Doses A Ie—Needs ses Now	admission schedule		Requirements Met	
Pre-Kindergarten (Child Care or Preschool)										🗌 IEP		
TK/K-12										IEP IND Home		
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> (Advancement or Admission)										IEP IND Home		



#### **Guidance For Completing Form CDPH 286**

#### Review the pupil's immunization record for admission to:

- Pre-kindergarten (child care or preschool);
- Transitional kindergarten/kindergarten through 12th grade (TK/K-12)
- (Or advancement to) 7th grade.
- 1. Complete the pupil's identification section. The Statewide Student Identifier (SSID) is a 10-digit number assigned to TK/K-12 public school pupils by the California Department of Education.
- 2. Complete the vaccine and dose section using information from the pupil's immunization record provided by a parent or guardian, prior school, or an immunization registry.
  - a. Record the date (month/day/year) of each dose the pupil has received, even if the pupil has an exemption to one or more required vaccines. Any vaccine given four or fewer days prior to the minimum required age is valid.
  - b. Check the Permanent Medical Exemption (PME) box(es) for vaccines that are permanently exempt for medical reasons. If all vaccines are exempted, then fill in the date for "Date Requirements Met" in the appropriate row in the Status of Requirements section. This date is usually the date records are determined to be complete. File the medical exemption form specifying the exempted immunization(s) in the pupil's record.

#### 3. Complete the appropriate row in the Status of Requirements section.

- a. Enter the initials of the staff reviewing the pupil's record.
- b. If the pupil meets admission requirements, check the designated box and enter the date under "Date Requirements Met." This date is usually the date records are determined to be complete.
- C. If the pupil does not have all required doses but is not due for any doses at the time of admission, check the "Missing Doses Not Currently Due– Conditional" box and fill in the "Follow-up Date(s)" space. Review records at least every 30 days. Once the pupil meets all admission requirements, fill in the date for "Date Requirements Met."
- d. If the pupil has a Temporary Medical Exemption, check the designated box and write the expiration date in the "Follow-up Date(s)" space. Once the pupil meets all admission requirements, fill in the date for the "Date Requirements Met."
- e. If the pupil is due for doses and subject to exclusion, check the "Missing Doses Are Overdue–Needs Doses Now" box and fill in the "Follow-up Date(s)" space.

- f. If the pupil does not have all required immunizations and does not meet criteria for conditional admission (including a temporary medical exemption) and is:
  - IEP: Accessing special education services required by the pupil's individualized education program, or
  - IND: Enrolled in an independent study program and does not receive classroombased instruction, or
  - Home: Enrolled in a home-based private school

Then, using the codes above, check the appropriate box under "Other" and fill in the date for "Date Requirements Met."

Maintain a roster of all pupils who are unimmunized for immediate identification in case of disease outbreak or exposure in the community.

#### TRANSFER PUPILS

**Transferring from a school in-state or another state:** Review the immunization information and supporting documentation for exemptions included in the pupil's record or other immunization record, verifying the pupil has met immunization requirements for the pupil's age/grade. If the pupil has a Permanent Medical Exemption (PME), then add the pupil's name to your facility's roster of unimmunized pupils.

**Transferring from your school**: Provide this form or an equivalent immunization record as specified in 17 CCR section 6070(b) and any exemption documentation as part of the pupil's record.

If a pupil transfers from one school to another within California, the pupil's record shall be transferred by the former school no later than 10 school days following the date of request from the school where the pupil intends to enroll (California Education Code section 49068).

**Foster children:** California law requires schools to immediately enroll foster children transferring to their school even if the child is unable to produce immunization records normally required for school entry. Within two business days of the foster child's request for enrollment, the educational liaison for the new school shall contact the school last attended to obtain all records. The educational liaison for the school last attended shall provide all records to the new school within two business days of receiving the request (California Education Code section 48853.5(f)(8)(C

The California Department of Public Health places strict controls on the gathering and use of personally identifiable data. Personal information is not disclosed, made available, or otherwise used for purposes other than those specified at the time of collection, except with consent or as authorized by law or regulation. The Department's information management practices are consistent with the Information Practices Act (Civil Code Section 1798 et seq.), the Public Records Act (Government Code Section 6250 et seq.), Government Code Sections 11015.5 and 11019.9, and with other applicable laws pertaining to information privacy.

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Human Papillomavirus (HPV) is a common virus that can cause serious cancers later in life. It is estimated that HPV causes about 37,000 cases of cancer in men and women every year In the U.S. HPV vaccination can prevent over 90% of cancers caused by HPV. HPV vaccines are safe, and scientific research shows that the benefits of HPV vaccination far outweigh the potential risks. Like other vaccines, common side effects are mild, like pain or redness where the shot was given, and get better within a day or two.

Because it is safe and effective, vaccination against HPV is recommended by the CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, the American Academy of Pediatrics, and the American Academy of Family Physicians. It's also recommended by the American Cancer Society and California's Cancer Prevention Act.

HPV vaccine is more effective when given at younger ages. All children between the ages of 9 to 12 years are recommended to receive two doses of HPV vaccine, with the second dose given before the start of 8th grade. Kids who wait until later to get their first dose of HPV vaccine may need three doses. The HPV vaccine is often given at the same time as whooping cough and bacterial meningitis vaccines for adolescents. Ask your school nurse, health care provider or local health department to learn more about HPV vaccine and where your child can get vaccinated.

For questions, please contact District Nursing Services Branch at (213) 202-7580.



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El virus del papiloma humano (VPH) es un virus común que puede causar cánceres graves más adelante en la vida. Se estima que el VPH causa alrededor de 37,000 casos de cáncer en hombres y mujeres cada año en los EE. UU. La vacunación contra el VPH puede prevenir más del 90% de los cánceres causados por el VPH. Las vacunas contra el VPH son seguras, y la investigación científica muestra que los beneficios de la vacunación contra el VPH superan con creces los posibles riesgos. Al igual que otras vacunas, los efectos secundarios comunes son leves, como dolor o enrojecimiento donde se administró la vacuna y mejoran en uno o dos días.

Debido a que es segura y efectiva, el Comité Asesor de Prácticas de Inmunización de los CDC, la Academia Americana de Pediatría y la Academia Americana de Médicos de Familia recomiendan la vacunación contra el VPH. La Sociedad Americana del Cáncer y la Ley de Prevención del Cáncer de California también la recomiendan.

La vacuna contra el VPH es más eficaz cuando se administra a edades más tempranas. Se recomienda que todos los niños entre las edades de 9 a 12 años reciban dos dosis de la vacuna contra el VPH y la administración de la segunda dosis antes del comienzo del octavo grado. Los niños que esperan hasta más tarde para recibir su primera dosis de la vacuna contra el VPH pueden necesitar tres dosis. La vacuna contra el VPH a menudo se administra al mismo tiempo que las vacunas contra la tos ferina y la meningitis bacteriana para los adolescentes. Pregunte a al personal de enfermería de su escuela, proveedor de atención médica o departamento de salud local para conocer más información sobre la vacuna contra el VPH y dónde su estudiante puede recibir la vacuna.

Para preguntas, comuníquese con la Unidad de Servicios de Enfermería del Distrito al (213) 202-7580.

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