New Jersey School Immunization Requirements: What You Need to Know

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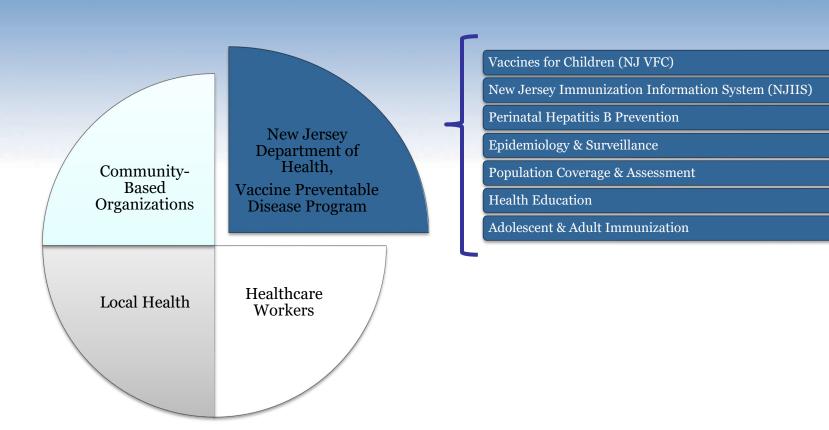
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Partners in Prevention





Immunization & Early Childhood Development

Early years important to childhood growth and development

Multiple milestones in 1st year of life



- Social and Emotional
- •Language/Communication
- •Cognitive (learning, thinking, problem solving)
- Movement/Physical Development



Immunization & Early Childhood Development

Early years important to childhood growth and development



provide protection from serious illnesses during development and beyond

Immunizations can

Poor health in young children can have negative impacts on development



Outbreaks in Child Care Centers

Outbreaks of vaccine preventable diseases have occurred in childcare centers

Unvaccinated children in your center/home are at risk

Children who are not caught up on their vaccinations may be excluded from child care if there are outbreaks



IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE



N.J.A.C. 8:57-4

New Jersey Administrative Code



- Chapter 57: Communicable Disease
 - Subchapter 4: Immunization of Pupils in School





Religious Exemptions

Parent or guardian must provide a signed written statement.

Religious affiliated schools can grant or deny

Does not need to indicate the child's religion or specific tenants, notarized, or signed by a religious leader

No annual update is required



FAQ -1



A parent filed a religious exemption for the flu vaccine, but their child received all other age-appropriate vaccines. Is this acceptable?





Religious Exemption (2)

Parents may object to one or more vaccines

Parents can file for a RE even if a child was previously vaccinated, because their beliefs have changed

RE are null & void if vaccines are received after filing date

Rules do not stipulate that religious beliefs have to be consistently held so parents can file for a new exemption anytime



Medical Exemptions

Can only be written by a medical doctor, doctor of osteopathic medicine or an advanced practice nurse licensed to practice in the United States

Must indicate a specific time period

Reasons enumerated by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)

Do not necessarily need to be renewed, but must be reviewed annually



Medical Exemption Form

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Provisional Admission

Students must:

- Have at least one dose of each required vaccine
- Be actively in process of completing series as rapidly as medically feasible

Table 2 Recommended Catch-up Immunization Schedule for Children and Adolescents Who Start Late or Who Are More than 1 Month Behind, United States, 2022

The table below provides catch-up schedules and minimum intervals between doses for children whose vaccinations have been delayed. A vaccine series does not need to be restarted, regardless of the time that has elapsed between doses. Use the section appropriate for the child's age. Always use this table in conjunction with Table 1 and the Notes that follow.

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Vaccine	Minimum Age for								
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Diphtheria, tetanus, and acellular pertussis	6 weeks	41	weeks	4 weeks	6 months	6 months			



Timing Matters!



Out of Compliance

No immunization record, RE or ME, or does not meet the provisional definition



Students should not be allowed to attend school until they are eligible to be admitted provisionally



30-Day Grace Period

Applies only to out-ofstate or out-of-country transfer students Admitted temporarily for <u>up to</u> 30 days if acceptable evidence of vaccination is not available

After 30 days, the child may not attend school until documentation is received and/or is eligible to be admitted provisionally



Four-Day Grace Period

All doses administered ≤ 4 days before either the specified minimum age or dose spacing interval



Official Immunization Record

Presented on the first day of school



List the type of immunization and the date of administration



Vaccine administration dates should be listed by month, day and year.





New Jersey Department of Health
STANDARD SCHOOL / CHILD CARE CENTER IMMUNIZATION RECORD

IMM-8

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
HEALTH HISTORY AND APPRAISAL

NJDOE A-45

Acceptable Documents



NJIIS Mandatory Participation



N.J.A.C. 8:57-3.16 a : Every healthcare provider administering vaccines to children less than seven years of age shall register as an NJIIS site and authorized user and commence online reporting of vaccinations prior to December 31, 2011, in compliance with this subchapter



Foreign Immunization Records

Accept with proper written documentation

Match with U.S. requirements (specifically NJ)

Revaccinate in accordance with the ACIP recommended schedule (may be simpler) or do serology (when possible)

Translation of foreign vaccines

www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/downloads/appendices/B/foreign-products-tables.pdf

See AAP's Red Book or the ACIP for further guidance



Reporting Requirements: Annual Immunization Status Report (ASR)

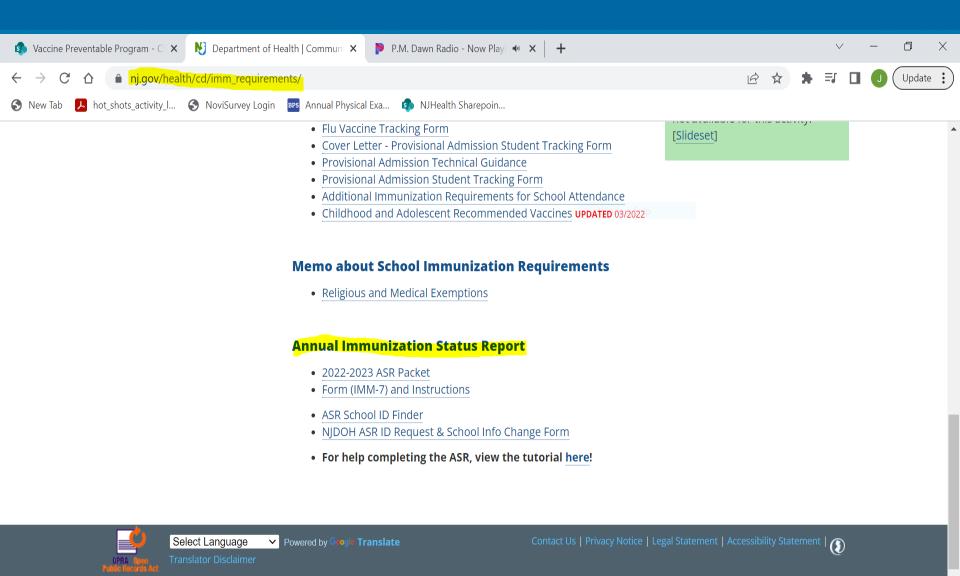
ASR packets are mailed in November of the respective academic year

Reporting time frame is September through December 31st. Accessible on-line during the reporting period at: www.nj.gov/health/cd/imm_requirements/annualstatusrpt.shtml

Due February 1st of respective academic year

*Current ASR packet, ASR ID search tool and new ASR tutorial available on the VPDP Immunization Requirements page at: www.nj.gov/health/cd/imm_requirements.





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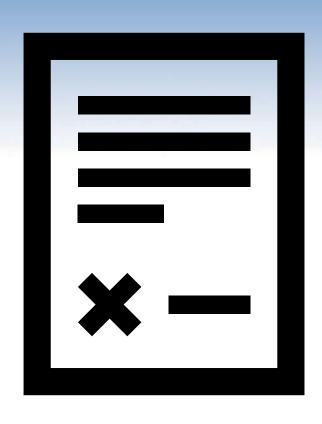
Annual Immunization Status Report (ASR)

Grade Level	Not Applicable	*Number of Pupils Enrolled	**Pupils Meeting All Immunization Requirements	Pupils with Medical Exemptions	Pupils with Religious Exemptions	Status
Pre-k/Childcare:						
Kindergarten:						
Grade 1 (First Time Enterers Only):						
Grade 6:						
***Transfer Students (Out of District/ State/Country only):						

Total # of Students between ages 6-59 mos. subject to the flu vaccine requirement	Total # of Students subject to the flu vaccine requirement who received flu vaccine by December 31st	requirement with a	Total # of Students subject to the flu vaccine requirement with a medical exemption for flu vaccine		



Violation to the State Sanitary Code



Each violation of any provision of the State Sanitary Code shall constitute a separate offense and shall be punishable by a penalty of not less than \$50 nor more than \$1000



NJ School Immunization Requirements



DTaP Vaccine

Child Care/Preschool:

A minimum of four doses of a DTaP-containing vaccine or fewer as appropriate for the child's age per the ACIP Recommended Schedule

At this age the student should have received the following vaccine:	2 mos.	4 mos.	6 mos.	12 mos.	15 mos.	18 mos.	19 mos.	20-59 mos.
Diphtheria, tetanus & acellular pertussis (DTaP)	Dose #1	Dose #2	Dose #3			Dose #4		

Kindergarten/First Grade:

A total of 4 doses with one of these doses on or after the 4th birthday OR any 5 doses

Second Grade and Higher (at least seven years of age):

A minimum of three doses of a DTaP-containing vaccine



Tdap Vaccine

Sixth Grade and Higher:

Those children born on or after January 1, 1997 **AND** who are at least 11 years of age and older are required to receive a one-time dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccine at the six grade or higher grade level





Table 2

Catch-up immunization schedule for persons aged 4 months—18 years who start late or who are more than 1 month behind, United States, 2019

The figure below provides catch-up schedules and minimum intervals between doses for children whose vaccinations have been delayed. A vaccine series does not need to be restarted, regardless of the time that has elapsed between doses. Use the section appropriate for the child's age. Always use this table in conjunction with Table 1 and the notes that follow.

			Children age 4 months through 6 years		
Vaccine	Minimum Age for		Minimum Interval Between Doses		
	Dose 1	Dose 1 to Dose 2	Dose 2 to Dose 3	Dose 3 to Dose 4	Dose 4 to Dose 5
Hepatitis B	Birth	4 weeks	8 weeks <i>and</i> at least 16 weeks after first dose. Minimum age for the final dose is 24 weeks.		
Rotavirus	6 weeks Maximum age for first dose is 14 weeks, 6 days	4 weeks	4 weeks Maximum age for final dose is 8 months, 0 days.		
Diphtheria, tetanus, and acellular pertussis	6 weeks	4 weeks	4 weeks	6 months	6 months
Haemophilus influenzae type b	6 weeks	No further doses needed if first dose was administered at age 15 months or older. 4 weeks if first dose was administered before the 1 st birthday. 8 weeks (as final dose) if first dose was administered at age 12 through 14 months.	No further doses needed if previous dose was administered at age 15 months or older. 4 weeks if current age is younger than 12 months and first dose was administered at younger than age 7 months, and at least 1 previous dose was PRP-T (ActHib, Pentacel, Hiberix) or unknown. 8 weeks and age 12 through 59 months (as final dose) if current age is younger than 12 months and first dose was administered at age 7 through 11 months; OR if current age is 12 through 59 months and first dose was administered before the 1st birthday, and second dose administered at younger than 15 months; OR if both doses were PRP-OMP (PedvaxHIB; Comvax) and were administered before the 1st birthday.	8 weeks (as final dose) This dose only necessary for children age 12 through 59 months who received 3 doses before the 1st birthday.	
Pneumococcal conjugate	6 weeks	No further doses needed for healthy children if first dose was administered at age 24 months or older. 4 weeks if first dose administered before the 1st birthday. 8 weeks (as final dose for healthy children) if first dose was administered at the 1st birthday or after.	No further doses needed for healthy children if previous dose administered at age 24 months or older. 4 weeks if current age is younger than 12 months and previous dose given at <7 months old. 8 weeks (as final dose for healthy children) if previous dose given between 7-11 months (wait until at least 12 months old); OR if current age is 12 months or older and at least 1 dose was given before age 12 months.	8 weeks (as final dose) This dose only necessary for children age 12 through 59 months who received 3 doses before age 12 months or for children at high risk who received 3 doses at any age.	
Inactivated poliovirus	6 weeks	4 weeks	4 weeks if current age is < 4 years. 6 months (as final dose) if current age is 4 years or older.	6 months (minimum age 4 years for final dose).	
Measles, mumps, rubella	12 months	4 weeks			
Varicella	12 months	3 months			
Hepatitis A	12 months	6 months			
Meningococcal	2 months MenACWY- CRM 9 months MenACWY-D	8 weeks	See Notes	See Notes	



Polio Vaccine

Child Care/Preschool:

A minimum of 3 doses of a polio-containing vaccine or fewer as appropriate for the child's age as per the ACIP Recommended Schedule

At this age the student should have received the following vaccine:	2 mos.	4 mos.	6 mos.	12 mos.	15 mos.	18 mos.	19 mos.	20-59 mos.
Inactivated Polio Virus (IPV)	Dose #1	Dose #2				Dose #3		

Kindergarten/First Grade

A total of 3 doses with one of these doses given on or after the 4th birthday OR any 4 doses



FAQ -2



A child is entering Kindergarten and received all 3 doses of polio vaccine administered before the fourth birthday. The last dose was given at age 3. Does he meet the polio vaccine requirement for Kindergarten entry?





IPV or OPV

Vaccination:

- Inactivated Polio Vaccine (IPV) doses OR
- OPV doses given **before** April 1, 2016



Polio Vaccine

Second grade and Higher (at least seven years of age):

Children who are seven years of age and older are required to have a minimum of three doses of polio

Polio vaccine is not required for students 18 years of age and older



Measles, Mumps, Rubella Vaccine

Child Care/Preschool:

A minimum of one dose of MMR vaccine by 15 months of age



Travel Recommendation: 6 months through 11 months of age who will be traveling internationally. This dose would <u>not</u> count towards completion of the routine schedule.

Kindergarten-Twelfth Grade:

Two doses of measles, one dose of mumps, and one dose of rubella



Haemophilis influenzae type b (Hib) Vaccine

Child Care/Preschool:

<u>Children who are 2 - 11 months of age</u>: Minimum of 2 age-appropriate doses

Children who are 12 - 59 months of age: Minimum of 1 dose on or after the first birthday

At this age the student should have received the following vaccine:	2 mos.	4 mos.	6 mos.	12 mos.	15 mos.	18 mos.	19 mos.	20-59 mos.
Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)	Dose #1	Dose #2		1-4 doses		At least one dose given on or after the first birthday		

Kindergarten-Twelfth Grade:

Not Required



Hepatitis B Vaccine

Child Care/Preschool:

Not required

Kindergarten-Twelfth Grade:

Three doses of hepatitis B vaccine or any vaccine combination containing hepatitis B virus OR

An approved 2-dose adolescent vaccine is available for use at 11-15 years



FAQ -3



A Kindergarten student (DOB 9/15/2018) received 3 doses of Hepatitis B vaccine on the following dates:

- 1st dose: 9/16/2018

- 2nd dose: 10/19/2018

- 3rd dose: 1/28/2019

Does he meet the requirements for Kindergarten?





Hepatitis B Intervals

The minimum interval between the first and second dose:

• Weeks after first dose - 4 weeks (28 days)

There are three minimum intervals that must be met for the third dose:

- Weeks after first dose 16 weeks (112 days)
- Weeks after second dose 8 weeks (56 days)
- Weeks after birth 24 weeks (168 days)



Varicella (Chickenpox) Vaccine

Child Care/Preschool:

A minimum of one dose of varicella vaccine by 19 months of age (for children born on or after January 1, 1998)

Kindergarten-Twelfth Grade:

At least one dose of varicella vaccine



Pneumococcal Vaccine

Child Care/Preschool:

- Children who are 2 11 months of age: Minimum of 2 age-appropriate doses
- Children who are 12-59 months of age: Minimum of 1 dose on or after the first birthday

At this age the student should have received the following vaccine:	2 mos.	4 mos.	6 mos.	12 mos.	15 mos.	18 mos.	19 mos.	20-59 mos.
Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV 13)	Dose #1	Dose #2		1-4 doses	At least one dose given on or after the first birthday			

Kindergarten-Twelfth Grade:

Not Required



Meningococcal Vaccine

Child Care/Preschool: Not required

Sixth Grade and Higher:

Those children who were born on or after January 1, 1997 **AND** who are at least 11 years of age and older are required to receive a one-time dose of meningococcal-containing vaccine at the six grade or higher grade level. Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine is preferred.

Meningococcal Vaccine Recommendations by Age and/or Risk Factor: http://www.immunize.org/catg.d/p2018.pdf



Influenza

Childcare/Preschool: 1 annual dose between September 1 and December 31 for children six months through 59 months of age.

K-12: Not required



Laboratory Evidence of Immunity

- Accepted for measles, mumps, rubella, hepatitis B, diphtheria, tetanus, and varicella
- Serology should not be done in lieu of aborting series
- No reliable serologic test exists for *pertussis*, Haemophilus influenzae type b, pneumococccus and meningococcus
- Copy of laboratory test must be in the record

Source: General Recommendations on Immunization: Recommendations of the Advisory Committee of Immunization Practices

http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr6002a1.htm

Source: New Jersey Department of Health Vaccine Preventable Disease Program Immunization Requirements Frequently Asked Questions—Section on Serology Titers: http://nj.gov/health/cd/documents/vaccine_qa.pdf



New Jersey Hot Shots for Tots



Award

Objective

 Empower child care and preschool providers to implement immunization best practices to maintain and/or improve immunization coverage

Method

 Motivate through recognition and incentives via a point- based immunization campaign

https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/imm requirements/vpdp hotshots.shtml



Resource Links

- State VPDP

 nj.gov/health/cd/vpdp.shtml
- NJ Vaccine Requirements and Guidance Materials
 nj.gov/health/cd/imm_requirements/
- NJIIS website
 njiis.nj.gov/njiis/
- CDC Recommended Childhood & Adolescent Immunization and Catch-Up Schedule

 cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/index.html
- Hot Shots for Tots Immunization Campaign

 nj.gov/health/cd/imm_requirements/vpdp_hotshots.shtml



It Takes a Village to Protect Our Children, Families, and Communities Against Vaccine-Preventable Diseases



THANK YOU!



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Transcription Activity

SCENARIO:

A 3-year-old child is newly enrolling in a preschool facility in Fall 2023. The parents presented the following immunization record from their pediatrician. Please assess if this child is age-appropriately vaccinated.

• DOB: 11/10/2020

• Pentacel: 2/12/21, 4/10/21, 6/12/21

• Hepatitis B: 11/10/2020

PCV13: 1/22/2021

MMR: 10/10/2021

Varicella: 12/8/2021

• Flu vaccine: 8/15/2021

