

**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES**

Immunization Requirements for 2021-2022 School Year Entry

The School Health Services Program oversees or provide mandated services in accordance with Florida Statute sections 381.0056, 381.0057, and 402.3026. School health services purpose is to minimize health barriers to learning for public school students in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. To help ensure the provision of safe and appropriate county-level school health services, the Department of Health, Hillsborough, School Health Program office work in conjunction with Hillsborough County Public Schools, School Health Services Department to implement health services and state mandates provided in our public schools.

Students from Pre-kindergarten through 12th grade who are coming into a Florida school for the first time must present a immunization record (DH 680) and a current Florida School Entry Physical Examination, Form (DH 3040). The immunization record must show that the student has met the minimum state requirements for that grade. Immunizations are provided at no charge by the Department of Health, Hillsborough County.

Immunization Requirements for Pre-Kindergarten

For students entering Pre-Kindergarten*, the immunization record must show that the student has met the minimal state requirements for vaccines:

- * 3-5 doses DTaP (diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis)
- * 3-5 doses Polio (Kindergarten)
- * 1-2 doses MMR (measles-mumps-rubella)
- 3 doses Hepatitis B
- * 1-2 doses Varicella (chicken pox)

*** Note: Immunizations listed below are not required, but recommended:**

Haemophilus influenza type b (Hib)

Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV13)

Hepatitis A (Hep A)

*** Varicella vaccine is not required if Varicella disease is documented (the year the child had the disease must be included) by a Licensed Physician, Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant.**

Immunization Requirements for Kindergarten through sixth grade

Students entering kindergarten must submit an updated immunization record and a school entry physical examination

- 5 doses DTaP (diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis)
- * 4-5 doses Polio (Kindergarten)
- 2 doses MMR (measles-mumps-rubella)
- 3 doses Hepatitis B
- * 2 doses Varicella (chicken pox)

*** Note. KG — If the fourth dose of polio vaccine is administered prior to the fourth birthday, a fifth dose of polio vaccine is required for kindergarten entry only.**

**** Varicella vaccine is not required if Varicella disease is documented (the year the child had the disease must be included) by a Licensed Physician, Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant.**

Immunization Requirements for students entering seventh through twelfth grade

Students entering seventh grade must submit an updated immunization record with a Tdap. All students from seventh through twelfth grade immunization record must that the student has met the minimal state requirements:

- 5 doses DTaP (diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis)
- 4 doses Polio (IPV or OPV)
- 2 doses MMR< (measles-mumps-rubella)
- 3 doses Hepatitis B
- 1 dose Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis)
- 2 doses Varicella (chickenpox) or has had the disease as documented by a healthcare provider

- * **Note.** 1 dose Tdap (tetanus- diphtheria- pertussis) for seventh grade is required.
- * An updated DH 680 form to include Tdap must be obtained for submission to the school.
- * **Varicella vaccine is not required if Varicella disease is documented (the year the child had the disease must be included) by a Licensed Physician, Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant.**

Additional Immunization Recommendations:

Four vaccines which are not mandated for your child's grade level, but are recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) should be discussed with your health care provider are: meningococcal meningitis, hepatitis A series, Influenza and Human Papilloma (HPV) Vaccine series.

MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE

A dose of Meningococcal (MCV4) is recommended for children and adolescents 11-18 years of age. This vaccine is 85-90% effective in preventing meningococcal disease. Meningococcal disease is a serious illness caused by bacteria. The disease is spread by airborne respiratory droplets (cough or sneezes). Symptoms of meningococcal disease are often mistaken for less serious illnesses such as the flu. Common symptoms may include: fever greater than 101.4, red to purple colored rash, nausea, vomiting, generalized muscle aches, severe headaches, confusion, sensitivity to light, and/or stiff neck. It is a leading cause of bacterial meningitis in children 2-18 years old in the United States. The vaccine is available at the department of health, Hillsborough County, if it is not provided by your child's healthcare provider's office. For those who have never gotten MCV4, a dose is recommended at high school entry but not required in the State of Florida. Most colleges and universities require this vaccine. Please check the college or university policy you plan to attend. In addition, this is highly recommended if you are living in a dormitory type of residence. MCV4 is contraindicated to anyone that experience a severe allergic reaction after a previous dose or to any components of vaccines.

Human Papilloma Virus Disease

The Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) cause the majority of genital warts, and cancers. HPV vaccine has been shown to protect against 80% of the most common types of cervical cancer and oral cancers and decrease genital warts. While it is recommended for ages 11-12 years of age, this vaccine has been approved for both males and females beginning at nine years of age. The most frequent reported symptoms of HPV vaccine are chronic pain with paresthesia, headaches, fatigue and orthostatic intolerance.

If you have private health insurance or Medicaid, contact your health care provider. If you do not have private health insurance or Medicaid, contact the Florida Department of Health, Hillsborough County Immunization Clinic for further information.

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