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The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services recently revised the Code of State Regulations, Immunization Requirements for School Children, 19 CSR 20-28.010, and Day Care Immunization Rule, 19 CSR 20-28.040. These rules establish the minimum immunization requirements for children enrolled in Missouri public, private, and parochial schools, day cares, preschools, or nursery schools. These revisions include:

School Children

Effective beginning the **2010-2011** school year the following **new** requirements will be implemented:

- Second dose of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine for all children entering kindergarten.

If the kindergarten child has had varicella (chickenpox) disease, a licensed doctor of medicine (MD) or doctor of osteopathy (DO) may sign and place on file with the school a written statement documenting the month and year of previous varicella (chickenpox) disease as satisfactory evidence of having had the disease. Parental or guardian statements of disease will no longer be accepted beginning with the 2010-2011 school year for children entering kindergarten.

This rule change applies to children entering kindergarten and thereafter. For children enrolled in grades one (1) through five (5), only one dose of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine is required. Parental or guardian statements of disease continue to be acceptable.

- Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) vaccine will be required for all incoming eighth (8th) grade students if the child has completed the recommended childhood DTaP/DTP vaccination series and has not received a Td booster within the past two (2) years.

For children enrolled in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) who have not received a single dose of Td, it is highly recommended they receive a single dose of Tdap as their catch-up booster instead of Td or receive one dose of Tdap two years after the last Td dose.

Day Care, Preschool, Nursery School Children

Effective **July 1, 2010** the following **new** requirements will be implemented:

- Age appropriate pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV) for children attending day care, preschool, or nursery schools caring for ten or more children.
- For all children who have had varicella (chickenpox) disease, a licensed doctor of medicine (MD) or doctor of osteopathy (DO) may sign and place on file with the child care facility a written statement documenting the month and year of previous varicella (chickenpox) disease as satisfactory evidence of having had the disease. Parental or guardian statements of disease will no longer be acceptable beginning July 1, 2010.

For additional information, contact the Bureau of Immunization Assessment and Assurance at (573) 751-6124. Our public health system relies on every dedicated health professional to ensure the health of Missourians.

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Missouri School Immunization Requirements 2010-2011

- All students must present documentation of up-to-date immunization status, including month, day and year of each immunization before they can attend school.
- The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) allows a 4-day grace period (meaning 4 or fewer days prior to the recommended interval or age), so students in all grade levels may receive immunizations up to 4 days before they are due.
- For children beginning kindergarten during or after the 2003-04 school year, required immunizations should be administered according to the current ACIP Schedule, including all spacing, (<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/schedules/child-schedule.htm>).
- To remain in school, students "in progress" must have an Imm.P.14 form (which includes appointment date for needed immunization(s)) on file and must receive immunizations as soon as they become due. In progress means that a child has begun the vaccine series and has an appointment for the next dose. This appointment must be kept and an updated record provided to the school. If the appointment is not kept, the child is no longer in progress and is noncompliant. (For example, hep B vaccine series was begun but the child is not yet eligible to receive the next dose in the series.)

In progress does not apply to the Tdap or Td booster.

- Religious (Imm.P.11A) and Medical (Imm.P.12) exemptions are allowed. The appropriate exemption card must be on file. Unimmunized children are subject to exclusion from school when outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases occur.

Vaccines Required for School Attendance	Doses Required by Grade												
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
DTaP ¹	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4	4	4	4	3+
Tdap ²									1	Tdap or Td required 10 years after last DTaP, DTP or DT.			
IPV (Polio) ³	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+
MMR	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2 measles, 1 mumps, 1 rubella required, however 2 MMRs are highly recommended.				
Hepatitis B	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+
Varicella ⁴	2	1	1	1	1	1	No dose required, however vaccination is highly recommended.						

1. Last dose on or after fourth (4th) birthday and last dose of pediatric pertussis before seventh (7th) birthday.
Maximum needed: six (6) doses.
2. Tdap, which contains pertussis vaccine, is required for students enrolled in grade eight (8) who have completed the recommended childhood DTP/DTaP vaccination series and have not received a Td booster dose within the past two (2) years. For grades 9-12, a Tdap or Td booster is required ten (10) years after the last dose of DTaP, DTP or DT. Tdap may be given at any time in the event of a pertussis outbreak situation.
3. Last dose must be administered on or after fourth (4th) birthday.
4. Kindergarten: As satisfactory evidence of disease, an MD or DO may sign and place on file with the school a written statement documenting the month and year of previous varicella (chickenpox) disease.

Grades 1-5: As satisfactory evidence of disease, a parent/guardian or MD or DO may sign and place on file with the school a written statement documenting the month and year of previous varicella (chickenpox) disease.

