



SEPTEMBER 2014

MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW SCHOOL ENTRANTS

(PUBLIC, PRIVATE, PAROCHIAL, DAY CARE CENTERS AND SCHOOLS)

ALL STUDENTS ENTERING A NEW YORK CITY SCHOOL FOR THE FIRST TIME MUST HAVE A COMPLETE PHYSICAL EXAMINATION AND ALL REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS

The comprehensive medical examination must be documented on a Child Adolescent Health Examination Form (CH205) and include the following:

Weight Height Blood Pressure Body Mass Index Vision Screening
Hearing Screening Dental Screening Medical History Developmental Assessment Nutritional Evaluation

The CH-205 examination must be performed on or after April 1st of the year of school entry. Examinations performed prior to April 1st of the entry year will not be accepted. Fillable CH-205 forms that include the student's pre-populated vaccination histories are available through the New York City Immunization Registry (CIR). Students continuing on to Kindergarten from Pre-Kindergarten must submit a new CH-205.

Required Screening for Day Care Only	
Screening	Required Information
Anemia Screening	Hematocrit and Hemoglobin
Lead Screening, Assessment & Testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All children under 6 years must be assessed annually for lead exposure. Blood lead tests are required for children at ages 1 and 2 years AND other children up to age 6 years at risk of exposure OR with no lead test previously documented. For more information, call the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program @ 311.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS 2014–15

The following immunization requirements are mandated by law for all students between the ages of two months and eighteen years. Children must be excluded from school if they do not meet these requirements.

A child's immunization history must include all of the following vaccines to be considered fully immunized. Their immunization record should be evaluated according to the grade they are attending this school year.

PROVISIONAL REQUIREMENTS

New students may enter school provisionally with documentation of at least this initial series of immunizations. Once admitted provisionally, subsequent vaccines must be administered in accordance with the Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP) 'catch up' schedule for the child to be considered 'in process' and remain in school (refer to <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/catchup.html> for schedule). Alternative schedules are not acceptable. Students must complete the entire series to comply with the law. Students who have not been immunized within the provisional period must be issued exclusion letters and excluded from school until they comply with the requirements.

DAY CARE/PRE-KINDERGARTEN	NO. OF DOSES
DTaP (diphtheria-tetanus-acellular pertussis) OR DTP (diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis)	1
IPV (inactivated poliovirus) or OPV (oral poliovirus)	1
MMR (measles-mumps-rubella)	1
On or after the 1st birthday.	
Hib (<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b)	1
Hepatitis B	1
Varicella	1
On or after the 1st birthday.	
Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV)	1
Influenza	1
Depending on their influenza vaccination history, some children may need 2 doses of influenza vaccine.	

KINDERGARTEN/GRADES 1–12	NO. OF DOSES
DTaP, DTP, DT, Td (tetanus-diphtheria) OR Tdap (tetanus-diphtheria-acellular pertussis)	1
Vaccine type as appropriate for age.	
Tdap	1
IPV or OPV	1
MMR	1
On or after the 1st birthday.	
Hepatitis B	1
Varicella	1
On or after the 1st birthday.	

FULL COMPLIANCE

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NOTES: The number of required vaccine doses depends on the schedule recommended by the Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP).

This schedule reflects the number of doses required for Pre-K through grade 12. Intervals between doses of vaccine should be in accordance with the ACIP recommended immunization schedule for persons 0 through 18 years of age. See footnotes for specific information for each vaccine.

FULL COMPLIANCE 2014					
VACCINES	PRE-KINDERGARTEN (Day Care, Head Start, Nursery or Pre-K)	KINDERGARTEN	GRADES 1 through 5	GRADE 6	GRADES 7 through 12
Diphtheria and Tetanus toxoid-containing vaccine DTaP/DPT/Tdap)	4 doses	4 to 5 doses If the fourth dose of DTaP was administered at age 4 or older, the fifth (booster) dose is not necessary.	4 to 5 doses If the fourth dose of DTaP was administered at age 4 or older, the fifth (booster) dose is not necessary.	3 doses	3 doses
Tetanus and Diphtheria toxoid-containing vaccine and Pertussis vaccine booster (Tdap)	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	1 dose	1 dose
Polio (IPV/OPV)	3 doses	3 to 5 doses If 4 or more doses were administered before age 4 years, an additional dose should be received on or after age 4 years. For children 4 years of age or older who have previously received less than 3 doses, a total of 3 doses are required. If both OPV and IPV were administered as part of a series, a total of 4 doses should be received, regardless of the child's current age.	3 doses	3 to 5 doses For children 4 years of age or older who have previously received less than 3 doses, a total of 3 doses are required. If both OPV and IPV were administered as part of a series, a total of 4 doses should be received, regardless of the child's current age.	3 doses
Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR)	1 dose	1 dose	2 doses 2 doses required by age 7	2 doses	2 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses	3 doses	3 doses	3 doses	3 doses
Varicella (Chickenpox)	1 dose	2 doses	1 dose	2 doses	1 dose
Haemophilus Influenza type b (Hib)	1 to 4 doses Number of doses depends on the child's age at the first dose; if you have questions, please consult with your physician.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV)	1 to 4 doses Number of doses depends on the child's age at the first dose; if you have questions, please consult with your physician.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Influenza	1 dose All children 6 months through 59 months of age enrolled in NYC Article 47 & 43 regulated pre-kindergarten programs (Day Care, Head Start, Nursery, or Pre-K) must receive one dose of influenza vaccine between July 1st and December 31st of each year. Some children may need 2 doses of influenza vaccine, depending on their prior vaccination history.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

Note to Parents: The above schedule is the requirement for students who begin receiving their vaccines in infancy. There are different requirements for students who begin their vaccinations at a later age. If you have questions, please consult with your physician.

1. Demonstrated serologic evidence of measles, mumps, rubella, hepatitis B, varicella or polio (for all three serotypes) antibodies is acceptable proof of immunity to these diseases. Diagnosis by a physician, physician assistant or nurse practitioner that a child has had varicella disease is acceptable proof of immunity to varicella.
2. Footnotes reflect updates as of April 2014. Please refer to <http://www.health.ny.gov/prevention/immunization/schools/> for updated information and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs).

For further information contact:

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