

Fall 2015
Immunizations for Child Care, Head Start and Pre-School Attendance:

Please follow the following link to the ACIP Easy-to-read Immunization Schedule for Infants and Children^{1,2}

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/downloads/parent-ver-sch-0-6yrs.pdf>

Ohio Revised Code 5104.014, Division B:

Each child's³ caretaker parent shall provide to the center, home, or in-home aide a medical statement, as described in division (D) of this section, indicating that the child has been immunized against or is in the process⁴ of being immunized against all of the following diseases:

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| 1. Chicken pox; | 6. Influenza; | 11. Poliomyelitis; |
| 2. Diphtheria; | 7. Measles; | 12. Rotavirus; |
| 3. Haemophilus influenzae type b; | 8. Mumps; | 13. Rubella; |
| 4. Hepatitis A; | 9. Pertussis; | 14. Tetanus. |
| 5. Hepatitis B; | 10. Pneumococcal disease; | |

Ohio Revised Code 5104.014, Division C:

A child is not required to be immunized against a disease specified in **Division (B)** of this section if any of the following is the case:

1. Immunization against the disease is medically contraindicated for the child;
2. The child's parent or guardian has declined to have the child immunized against the disease for reasons of conscience, including religious convictions;
3. Immunization against the disease is not medically appropriate for the child's age.

In the case of influenza, a child is not required to be immunized against the disease if the seasonal vaccine is not available.

Ohio Revised Code 5104.014, Division D:

The medical statement shall include all of the following information:

1. The dates that a child received immunizations against each of the diseases specified in division (B) of this section;
2. Whether a child is subject to any of the exceptions specified in division (C) of this section.
3. The medical statement shall include a component where a parent or guardian may indicate that the parent or guardian has declined to have the child immunized.

¹ Vaccine doses are only considered **valid** if administered according to the most recent version of the *Recommended Immunization Schedules for Persons Aged 0 Through 18 Years* or the *Catch-up Immunization Schedule for Persons Aged 4 Months Through 18 Years Who Start Late or Who Are More Than 1 Month Behind*, as published by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices.

² Vaccine doses administered **≤ 4 days** before the minimum interval or age are **valid** (grace period). Doses administered **≥ 5 days earlier** than the minimum interval or age are **not valid** doses and should be repeated as age-appropriate. **If MMR and Varicella are not given on the same day, the doses must be separated by at least 28 days with no grace period.**

³ **"Child"** includes both of the following: 1) An infant, toddler, or preschool age child; and 2) A school-age child who is not enrolled in a public or nonpublic school but is enrolled in a child day-care center, type A family day-care home, or licensed type B family day-care home or receives child care from a certified in-home aide.

⁴ **"In the process of being immunized"** means having received at least the first dose of an immunization sequence and complying with the immunization intervals or catch-up schedule prescribed by the director of health (in accordance with the ACIP catch-up schedule).