

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES, REGISTERED FAMILY DAY CARE HOMES AND EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS OPERATED BY SCHOOLS FEBRUARY 2011

Immunization requirements and recommendations for the 2011-2012 school year are based on the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommendations. The current immunization schedules, including catch up schedules, may be found at <http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/schedule.htm>.

K.A.R. 28-1-20 defines immunizations required for children attending child care programs licensed or registered by KDHE or early childhood programs operated by schools. The complete regulation is available at http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/download/KS_Imm_Regs_for_School_and_Childcare.pdf.

- **Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP):** five doses required. Doses given at 2 months, 4 months, 6 months, 12-15 months (6 months after dose 3) and 5 years of age. Four doses acceptable if dose 4 given on or after the 4th birthday. http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6001a4.htm?s_cid=mm6001a4_e%0d%0a
- **Poliomyelitis (IPV/OPV):** four doses required. Doses given at 2 months, 4 months, 6-18 months and 4-5 years of age. One dose is required after age 4, with a 6 month minimum interval from previous dose.
- **Measles, Mumps, Rubella:** two doses required. Doses given between 12-15 months and 4-5 years of age.
- **Hepatitis B:** three doses required. Doses given at birth, 2 months, and 6-18 months of age.
- **Varicella (chickenpox):** two doses required unless history of varicella disease documented by a licensed physician. Doses given at 12-15 months and 4-6 years of age.
- **Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib):** three doses required for children less than 5 years of age. Doses given at 2 months, 4 months, 6 months and 12-15 months of age. Total doses needed for series completion is dependent on the type of vaccine and the age of the child when doses given.
- **Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV):** four doses required for children less than 5 years of age. Doses given at 2 months, 4 months, 6 months, and 12-15 months of age. Total doses needed dependent on the age of the child when doses given.
- **Hepatitis A:** two doses required for children less than 5 years of age. Doses given at 12 months and 18 months with a 6 month minimum interval between doses.

In addition to the immunizations required for children attending child care programs licensed or registered by KDHE and early childhood programs operated by schools, the 2010 ACIP recommendations include the following additional immunizations:

- **Rotavirus:** three doses *recommended* for < 8 months of age; not required.
- **Influenza:** yearly vaccination *recommended* for all ages \geq 6 months of age; not required.

The complete ACIP recommendations can be found at: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/ACIP-list.htm>

Efforts by child care providers and schools have been central to the success of public health efforts in eliminating vaccine preventable diseases. Thank you for this success.