

2011 GUIDE TO THE IDAHO IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR

Childcare Facilities



REFERENCE Section 39-1118, Idaho Code: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare Rules, IDAPA 16, Title 02, Chapter 11 “Immunization Requirements for Children Attending Licensed Daycare Facilities in Idaho.”

INSTRUCTIONS Post this guide on a wall or desktop as a quick reference to help you determine whether children seeking admission to your childcare facility meet Idaho’s school immunization requirements. If you have any questions, contact the Idaho Immunization Program or visit www.immunizeidaho.com.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS Parents/guardians must present their child’s immunization record to the childcare provider within 14 days of the child’s initial attendance. To attend a licensed childcare facility in Idaho, a child must receive the required immunizations outlined below no later than the age-deadline specified.

SUMMARY OF CHILDCARE IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS											
Age-Deadline to Obtain Required Doses	Required Immunizations for Childcare Attendance										
	All doses must meet minimum ages and intervals (<i>Number of doses of Hib and Rotavirus required depends on vaccine brand type.</i>)										
	DTaP ¹	Polio ²	MMR	Hep B	Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) ³		Varicella	Hep A	Pneumococcal ⁴	Rotavirus ⁵	
Act- Hib					Pedvax Hib	Rotarix (RV1)				RotaTeq (RV5)	
3 months	1	1		1	1	1			1	1	1
5 months	2	2		2	2	2			2	2	2
7 months	3				3				3		3
16 months			1		4	3	1	1	4		
19 months	4	3		3							
2 years								2			
7 years (or school entry)	5	4	2				2				

1. DTaP: The 5th dose is not necessary if the 4th dose was administered at age 4 years or older.
2. Polio: The 4th dose is not necessary if the 3th dose was administered at age 4 years or older and at least 6 months after previous dose.
3. Hib: Generally not recommended for children aged 5 years or older.
4. Pneumococcal: Generally not recommended for children aged 5 years or older. Children aged 14 through 59 months who received a completed 4-dose or other age-appropriate series of PCV7, must also receive a supplemental dose of PCV13.
5. Rotavirus: Vaccination should not be initiated for infants aged 15 weeks 0 days or older. The maximum age for the final dose is 8 months.

CONDITIONAL ATTENDANCE The Schedule of Intended Immunizations Form is required by IDAPA 16.02.11 to document the intended immunization schedule of a child who has not received all required immunizations for childcare attendance. To be eligible for conditional attendance, a child must have received at least one dose of each required vaccine and currently be on schedule for subsequent immunizations. Failure to receive still-needed doses of required vaccines as indicated on the Schedule of Intended Immunizations Form will result in exclusion of the child from childcare until the child is back on schedule with no required vaccine doses due.

EXEMPTIONS Idaho law allows a parent/guardian to claim an exemption from immunization requirements for their child for medical, religious, or personal reasons. All exemptions must be documented on the official State of Idaho form provided by the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Immunization Program. A medical exemption requires the signature of a licensed physician and certification that the child has a medical condition which prevents him or her from receiving required vaccinations. The law does not allow parents/guardians to claim an exemption because the shot record is lost or incomplete, or because it is too much trouble to contact the physician or clinic and obtain a copy. Childcare facilities should maintain an up-to-date list of children with exemptions so they can be excluded quickly if an outbreak occurs.