# **PRESCHOOL**

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

# IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ENROLLED STUDENTS IN CONNECTICUT SCHOOLS

**2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR** 

DTaP: 4 doses (by 18 months for programs

with children 18 months of age)

Polio: 3 doses (by 18 months for programs

with children 18 months of age)

MMR: 1 dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday Hep B: 3 doses, last one on or after 24

weeks of age

Varicella: 1 dose on or after 1st birthday or

verification of disease

Hib: 1 dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday Pneumococcal: 1 dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday

Influenza: 1 dose administered each year between August 1st-December 31st

(2 doses separated by at least 28 days required for those receiving flu for

the first time)

Hepatitis A: 2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday

# **KINDERGARTEN**

DTaP: At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4<sup>th</sup> birthday
Polio: At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4<sup>th</sup> birthday
MMR: 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday

Hep B: 3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age

Varicella: 2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday;

or verification of disease

Hib: 1 dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday for children less than 5 years old Pneumococcal: 1 dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday for children less than 5 years old

Hepatitis A: 2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday

#### **GRADES 1-6**

DTaP/Td: At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Students who start the series at age 7 or older only need a total of 3

doses.

Polio: At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4<sup>th</sup> birthday MMR: 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday

Hep B: 3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age

Varicella: 2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday;

or verification of disease

Hepatitis A: 2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday

# **GRADE 7**

Tdap/Td: 1 dose for students who have completed their primary DTaP series.

Students who start the series at age 7 or older only need a total of 3 doses of tetanus-diphtheria containing vaccine, one of which must be

Tdap

Polio: At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4<sup>th</sup> birthday MMR: 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday

Meningococcal: 1 dose

Hep B: 3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age

Varicella: 2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday;

or verification of disease

Hepatitis A: 2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday

GRADES 8-12 Tdap/Td: 1 dose for students who have completed their primary DTaP series.

Students who start the series at age 7 or older only need a total of 3 doses of tetanus-diphtheria containing vaccine, one of which must be

Tdap

Polio: At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4<sup>th</sup> birthday MMR: 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday

Meningococcal: 1 dose

Hep B: 3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age

Varicella: 2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday;

or verification of disease

- DTaP vaccine is not administered on or after the 7<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- Tdap can be given in lieu of Td vaccine for children 7 years and older unless contraindicated.
- Hib is required for all Pre-K and K students less than 5 years of age.
- Pneumococcal Conjugate is required for all Pre-K and K students less than 5 years of age.
- Hep A requirement for school year 2019-2020 applies to all Pre-K through 7<sup>th</sup> graders born 1/1/07 or later.
- Hep B requirement for school year 2019-2020 applies to all students in grades K-12. Spacing intervals for a valid Hep B series: at least 4 weeks between doses 1 and 2; 8 weeks between doses 2 and 3; at least 16 weeks between doses 1 and 3; dose 3 must be administered at 24 weeks of age or later.
- Second MMR for school year 2019-2020 applies to all students in grades K-12.
- Meningococcal Conjugate requirement for school year 2019-20 applies to all students in grades 7-12
- Tdap requirement for school year 2019-2020 applies to all students in grades 7-12
- If two live virus vaccines (MMR, Varicella, MMRV, Intra-nasal Influenza) are not administered on the same day, they must be separated by at least 28 days (there is no 4 day grace period for live virus vaccines). If they are not separated by at least 28 days, the vaccine administered second must be repeated.
- Lab confirmation of immunity is **only** acceptable for Hep A, Hep B, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, and Varicella.
- **VERIFICATION OF VARICELLA DISEASE**: Confirmation in writing by a MD, PA, or APRN that the child has a previous history of disease, based on family or medical history.

For the full legal requirements for school entry visit:

https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Immunizations/Immunization--Laws-and-Regulations

If you are unsure if a child is in compliance, please call the Immunization Program at (860) 509-7929.

#### **New Entrant Definition:**

\*New entrants are any students who are new to the school district, including **all** preschoolers and all students coming in from Connecticut private, parochial and charter schools located in the same or another community. **All pre-schoolers, as well as all students entering kindergarten**, including those repeating kindergarten, and those moving from any public or private pre-school program, even in the same school district, **are considered new entrants**. The one exception is students returning from private approved special education placements—they are not considered new entrants.

## **Commonly Administered Vaccines:**

Vaccine:	<b>Brand Name:</b>	Vaccine:	Brand Name:
DTaP-IPV-Hib	Pentacel	MMRV	ProQuad
DTaP-HIB	TriHibit	PCV7	Prevnar
HIB-Hep B	Comvax	PCV13	Prevnar 13
DTaP-IPV-Hep B	Pediarix	DTaP-IPV	Kinrix, Quadracel
Hepatitis A	Havrix, Vaqta	Influenza	Fluzone, FluMist, Fluviron, Fluarix, FluLaval
•	-		Flucelvax, Afluria