STATE OF CONNECTICUT



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEWLY ENROLLED STUDENTS AT CONNECTICUT SCHOOLS

2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

PRESCHOOL

(Children entering after age 3 but before age 5)

DTaP: 4 doses Polio: 3 doses

MMR: 1 dose on or after the 1st birthday Hep B: 3 doses, last one on or after 24

weeks of age

Varicella: 1 dose on or after the 1st birthday or

verification of disease

Hib: 1 dose on or after the 1st birthday Pneumococcal 1 dose on or after the 1st birthday

Influenza: 1 dose administered each year between August 1-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 months apart, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday

KINDERGARTEN

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

birthday

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

Varicella: 2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1st dose on or after the 1st

birthday; or verification of disease

Hib: 1 dose on or after 1st birthday for children less than 5 years old

GRADES 1-6

DTaP /Td/Tdap: At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4th 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 4th birthday MMR: 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1st dose on or after the 1st

birthday

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

Varicella: 1 dose on or after the 1st birthday; or verification of disease

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 4th birthday MMR: 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1st dose on or after the 1st

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-1st dose on or after the 1st

birthday; or verification of disease

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GRADE 8-12

Td/Tdap: At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4th birthday

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

doses one of which should be Tdap.

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

birthday

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

Varicella: For students <13 years of age, 1 dose given on or after the 1st birthday;

for unvaccinated students 13 years of age or older, 2 doses given at

least 4 weeks apart; or verification of disease

Important Reminders:

• DTaP vaccine is not given on or after 7th birthday

DTaP may be given for all doses in the primary series

- Tdap can be given in lieu of Td vaccine for children 7 years and older unless contraindicated. Tdap is only licensed for one dose.
- Hib is not given or required for children 5 years of age or older
- Pneumococcal is not required for children 5 years of age or older. Pneumococcal is required for all Pre-K students born on or after 1/1/2007. The vaccine will be required for any K student less than 5 years of age and born on or after 1/1/2007 in the 2012-13 school year.
- Hepatitis A is required for all Pre-K students born on or after 1/1/2007. The vaccine will be required for all Kindergarten students born on or after 1/1/2007 in the 2012-13 school year.
- Hep B requirement for school year 2011-2012 applies to all students in grades K-12
 Spacing intervals for a valid Hep B series are at least 4 weeks between dose #1 and dose #2; 8 weeks between dose #2 and dose #3; at least 16 weeks between dose #1 and dose #3; dose #3 should not be given before 24 weeks of age.
- Second MMR for school year 2011-2012 applies to all students in grades K-12
- Laboratory confirmation of immunity is only acceptable for Hepatitis B, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Hepatitis A, 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

New Entrant Definition:

*New entrants are any students who are new to the school district, including preschoolers and all students coming in from Connecticut private, parochial and charter schools located in the same or another community. All students entering kindergarten, including 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 Combination Vaccines:

Vaccine: **Brand Name:** DTaP-IPV-Hib Pentacel DTaP-HIB TriHibit HIB-Hep B Comvax DTaP-IPV-Hep B Pediarix **MMRV** ProQuad PCV 7 Prevnar **PCV 13** Prevnar 13 DTaP-IPV Kinrix