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Exemptions from Immunizations - Regulation		
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Exemptions from the immunization requirements are authorized in the law for medical, religious, and personal reasons. The following is a summary of information concerning these exemptions, including procedures for their authorization.

1. Medical contradictions: State law provides that any minor child, through his/her parent or guardian, may submit to the health authority charged with the enforcement of the required immunization program, a certificate signed by a licensed physician stating the physical condition of the child is such that immunizations would endanger the life or health of the child and should thus be exempted from the immunization requirements.

2. Religious objections: Exemptions based on religious objections to immunizations are also allowed. The parent/guardian or religious leader must present a signed certificate of exemption.

3. Personal objection: Exemptions may also be authorized for children whose parents or guardians object to immunizations on philosophical grounds but are not necessarily members of a church or group which subscribes to religious beliefs contrary to the practice of immunization. The parent or guardian must present a certificate of exemption complete with a brief statement summarizing his or her objections to immunizations. Lost or unobtainable immunization records are not a valid reason for a personal exemption.

A signed certificate of exemption form (ODH 216-A) is required to be exempt from any immunization.