

Immunization Guidance



for Head Start Home Visitors & Classroom staff

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Vaccine	Required for attendance at Head Start child age 3-5	More information
Hepatitis B	3	
DTap	4	the 5 th is due at age 5-7 years of age
Polio	3	the 4 th dose is due at 5-7 years of age
Rotavirus	Not given after age 8 months	If child doesn't have any vaccines - status should say "unknown"
Hib/ Pneumo	Normally not given after age 24 months	Data Entry should document whatever vaccines were given status complete or unknown if none
MMR	1	the 2 nd dose is due at age 5-7 years of age
Varicella	1	the 2 nd dose is given at age 5-7 years of age If child had the chickenpox disease an exempt form must be filled out parent should write "child had the disease" on the philosophical statement
Hep A	2	

Children that are behind on any of the required Immunizations:

If a child has at least one dose of each required vaccine, parents can request two weeks to catch up on vaccines by signing an **Idaho Conditional Attendance to Child Care Form, (yellow)**. **The Center Supervisor will need to sign this form.** If parents fail to update vaccines by the date listed, the child may be excluded from class/socializations, unless the parent signs an Exemption form. **One Copy to Health Specialist.**

Exemptions: A parent may refuse to immunize due to medical, religious or philosophical reasons by completing an **Idaho Certificate of Immunization Exemption Form (pink)**. The form must be signed by parent(s), entered into the PROMIS system, one copy to child's file and one copy to **Heath Specialist. One Copy to Center's Immunization Binder for Child Care License.**

If child had the **chickenpox disease** an exempt form must be filled out. Parent should write: "child had the disease" on the philosophical statement.