Pennsylvania School Immunization Requirements

Pennsylvania State Law requires WRITTEN proof of complete immunization for:

- 4 or more doses of DTP, DTaP, DT or Td vaccine (for protection against Tetanus and Diphtheria)
- 1 or more doses of Tdap if at least 5 years have elapsed since the last dose of a vaccine containing tetanus and diphtheria
- 3 or more doses of Oral Polio vaccine or Injectable Polio vaccine
- 2 doses of Measles vaccine (usually given as MMR)
- 2 doses of Mumps vaccine (usually given as MMR)
- 1 dose of Rubella vaccine (usually given as MMR)
- 3 doses of Hepatitis B
- 2 doses of Varicella vaccine or a history of chickenpox disease
- 1 dose of Meningococcal conjugate vaccine (Menactra)
- 2nd dose of Meningococcal conjugate vaccine (Menactra) prior to 12th grade (new for 2017-2018)

(Please make sure that the type of vaccine used prevents 4 types of Meningococcal disease: Groups A, C, Y and W-135.)

CDC’s Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommends routine vaccination of females aged 11-12 years with 2-3 doses of quadrivalent HPV vaccine (Gardasil). The vaccination series can be started as young as age 9 years. Please discuss the vaccine with your medical care provider at your physical exam.

New students should have their Health Care Provider provide them with immunization records in order to complete online forms. If immunization is against your religious beliefs or you have a strong moral or ethical conviction similar to a religious belief, you must notify the Health Center of this in writing. If there is a medical contraindication; i.e. such that the immunization would endanger the life or health of your child, please provide a statement from your medical care provider stating the problem/reason.

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