



Wellness Center Health Policies - Asociación Escuelas Lincoln

Student Health Information

The Wellness Center will keep an updated file of the annual health records of all students. Parents will be responsible for informing the nurses of any changes that may arise in the year related to their children.

Vaccination Guidelines:

A.E.L adheres to the immunization schedule required by the Argentine Ministry of Public Health and the recommendations of the CDC (Center for Disease Control).

Students will be expected to have the following vaccines:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (DTAP): 4 doses by age 6✓ Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (DTAP): booster at age 12✓ Measles Mumps and Rubella (MMR): 2 doses by age 6✓ Polio: 4 doses by age 6✓ Hepatitis B: 3 doses |
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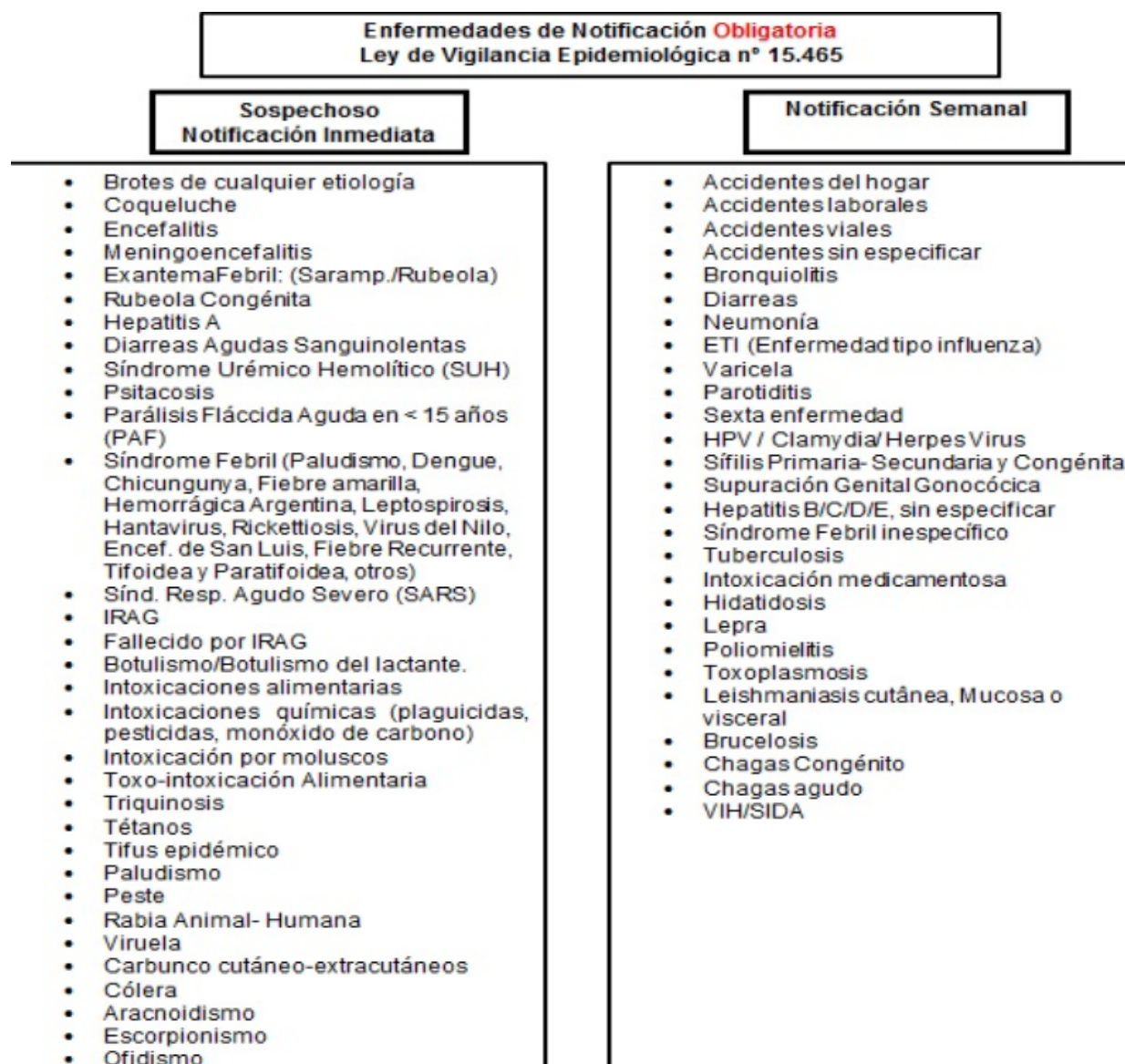
The following vaccines are also recommended:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Influenza vaccine annually➤ Varicella (Chicken Pox): 2 doses preferably➤ Hepatitis A: 2 doses preferably➤ Pneumococcal (PCV): 3 doses➤ Meningococcal (MCV): 3 doses➤ Human Papillomavirus (HPV): 3 doses between ages 11 – 18 year |
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In case you decide not to apply one or several vaccines to your child(ren), a signed copy of the Refusal Vaccination Form must be submitted. This form states that you assume the existing risk that your child(ren) can suffer a vaccine preventable disease and endangered the health of others.

Notifiable Diseases

Vicente Lopez Municipality requires certain diseases to be notified. The school has the responsibility by law to do so. Thus, parents/guardians, teaching and non-teaching staff must notify the nurses if they detect any case, so they can carry out the corresponding notification and alert process. The diseases to be notified are the following:



Student Assessment

A student must have the authorization of a school staff member to visit the Wellness Center. Students may come to the Wellness Center without a pass during a medical emergency or serious accident.

The parent/guardian will be contacted if necessary by phone or email according to the nurse's criteria. If a student must leave the A.E.L. campus due to health reasons during the school day, the parent/guardian permission and transportation to leave school will be required.



Emergencies

The school has a protected area service and a private ambulance service for emergency situations. In these cases, the parent/guardian or the emergency contact will be notified.

Fever

If a student has an axillary temperature equal to 37.5 °C (100.0 °F) or higher, they must stay at home. **The student must be 24 hours without fever (without influence of an antipyretic) before returning to school.**

Pink eye (Conjunctivitis)

If a student has conjunctivitis or any other eye-related infection, a certificate from an **ophthalmologist** must be submitted. This certificate must state that **after having completed the corresponding treatment the student is cleared to return to school and does not represent a potential risk of infection among the rest of the students.**

Lice & Fungus

The school is committed to being a pediculosis and fungus-free environment. For this purpose, periodic reviews will be carried out. If active lice and/or eggs or fungus are found, parents will be notified. On returning to A.E.L the student will first come to the Wellness Center for a lice check. The student will not return to class if any evidence of lice or nits is present.

Medication

Diagnosis and treatment of diseases as well as the prescription of medication are the responsibility of physicians. The Argentinian law prohibits registered nurses administering any kind of medication, including "over - the - counter" ones, without a written prescription, signed and stamped by a physician and a parent/guardian permission, except in emergency situations.

The prescription must include the following information:

- Student's name
- Diagnosis
- Name of the drug
- Dose
- Date
- Doctor's signature and seal

When the administration of medication is necessary during school hours, the guidelines are:

> For minor discomforts, such as headaches, fever, earaches, stomachaches, muscle aches and menstrual cramps, medications are available and will be administered to students only with parent /guardian permission.

> For special conditions or illness (chronic or acute), which require medication on a regular basis, a written order from the physician should be presented, parent/guardian should fill out the Parent Permission Slip available at the Wellness Center, and provide the medication. The medication must be in its original container,



administered at home at least once before being administered at school to avoid unexpected reactions. It must be delivered by hand to the nurses by a parent or responsible adult.

Students should not have medication with them during school hours. All medication needed will be stored at the Wellness Center to be used when necessary.

Records

- The nurses keep a written record of all students and community members who visit the Wellness Center daily. This includes date, time, full name, reason of the visit, intervention of the nurse and follow-up.
- The Wellness Center keeps a file for each A.E.L student which includes all the health forms, medical certificates and vaccination records submitted and will be kept for future reference.

School Absences

If a student is absent for more than 2 consecutive school days, a medical certificate will be required stating that the student is in good health to return to school or else the days of rest needed. If a student suffers from an infectious-contagious disease that may place other students at risk of contagion, parents should notify this to the Wellness Center.

Communication about Health matters

Health information regarding the A.E.L. community will be communicated through the Friday Flash, email and social media.

COVID-19

Due to the global pandemic, and according to the Ministry of Health and Education, the use of facemask is mandatory at all times, as is frequent handwashing and social distancing.

It will be parents/guardians/students responsibility to complete the [Sworn Health Declaration](#) before entering campus everyday.

Students, faculty, and staff will be required to remain home, or will be sent home, if they exhibit ONE of the following symptoms:

- Fever of 37.5°C (99.5°F) or higher
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Sudden loss of taste or smell

TWO or MORE of the following symptoms:

- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea



- Loss of appetite
- Cough

Please inform the Nurses' office the appearance of any of the symptoms mentioned above.

Please familiarize with the [Roadmap](#) about guidelines and protocols to follow on campus.