



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

## IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ENROLLED STUDENTS IN CONNECTICUT SCHOOLS



### PRESCHOOL

- DTaP: 4 doses by 18 months
- Polio: 3 doses by 18 months
- MMR: 1 dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday
- Hep B: 3 doses, last one on or after 24 weeks of age
- Varicella: 1 dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday or verification of disease
- Hib: 1 dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday
- Pneumococcal: 1 dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday
- Influenza: 1 dose administered each year between August 1<sup>st</sup>-December 31<sup>st</sup> (2 doses separated by at least 28 days required for those receiving flu for the first time)
- Hepatitis A: 2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday

### KINDERGARTEN

- DTaP: At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4<sup>th</sup> birthday
- Polio: At least 3 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4<sup>th</sup> birthday
- MMR: 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday
- Hep B: 3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age
- Varicella: 2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday; or verification of disease
- Hib: 1 dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday for children less than 5 years old
- Pneumococcal: 1 dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday for children less than 5 years old
- Hepatitis A: 2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday

### GRADES 1-2

- DTaP/Td: At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> birthday
- MMR: 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday
- Hep B: 3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age
- Varicella: 2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday; or verification of disease
- Hepatitis A: 2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday

### GRADE 3

- DTaP/Td: At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> birthday
- MMR: 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday
- Hep B: 3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age
- Varicella: 2 doses separated by at least 3 months-1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday; or verification of disease

### GRADES 4-6

- DTaP /Td/Tdap: At least 4 doses. The last dose must be given on or after 4<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> birthday
- MMR: 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday
- Hep B: 3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age

Varicella: 1 dose on or after the 1<sup>st</sup> birthday; or verification of disease

### GRADES 7-10

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 4<sup>th</sup> birthday

MMR: 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> 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-1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday; or verification of disease

### GRADE 11-12

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

MMR: 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday

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

Varicella: 2 doses given at least 4 weeks apart; 1<sup>st</sup> dose on or after 1<sup>st</sup> birthday or verification of disease

### **Important Reminders:**

- DTaP vaccine is not given on or after the 7<sup>th</sup> birthday and 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 required for children 5 years of age or older.
- Pneumococcal is required for all Pre-K and K students born on or after 1/1/2007 and less than 5 years of age.
- Hepatitis A requirement for school year 2014-15 applies to all Pre-K, K, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students born on or after 1/1/2007.
- Hep B requirement for school year 2014-2015 applies to all students in grades K-12.  
Spacing intervals for a valid Hep B series: at least 4 weeks between doses 1 and 2; 8 weeks between doses 2 and 3; at least 16 weeks between doses 1 and 3; dose 3 should not be given before 24 weeks of age.
- Second MMR for school year 2014-2015 applies to all students in grades K-12.
- If two live virus vaccines (MMR, Varicella, MMRV, Intranasal Influenza) are not administered on the same day, they must be separated by at least 28 days (there is no 4 day grace period for live virus vaccines). If they are not separated by at least 28 days, the vaccine administered second must be repeated.
- Lab confirmation of immunity is **only** acceptable for Hep B, Hep A, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, 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.
- For the full legal requirements for school entry visit [www.ct.gov/dph/cwp/view.asp?a=3136&Q=467374&PM=1](http://www.ct.gov/dph/cwp/view.asp?a=3136&Q=467374&PM=1)

### **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 repeating kindergarten, 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 Vaccines:**

<u>Vaccine:</u>	<u>Brand Name:</u>	<u>Vaccine:</u>	<u>Brand Name:</u>
DTaP-IPV-Hib	Pentacel	MMRV	ProQuad
DTaP-HIB	TriHibit	PCV7	Pevnar
HIB-Hep B	Comvax	PCV13	Pevnar 13
DTaP-IPV-Hep B	Pediarix	DTaP-IPV	Kinrix
Hepatitis A	Havrix, Vaqta	Influenza	Fluzone, FluMist, Fluviron, Fluarix, FluLaval