



Frequently Asked Questions **Required Immunizations for School Health**

What immunizations are required for school entry and attendance for my child?

Pre - K: HIB, Chicken Pox 1 dose, DTP (at least 1 dose), Polio (at least 1 dose), MMR 1 dose, Hepatitis B - 3 doses

KG - 6th: chicken pox - 2 doses, DTP 4-5 doses, Polio 3-5 doses, MMR – 2 doses, Hepatitis B – 3 doses

7th- 12th: KG – 6th immunizations + Tdap

Can I REGISTER my student without a [Florida DH Form 680](#) or Form 681?

Yes, but your child will **NOT BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND** school until the Florida DH Form 680 or Form 681 or has been presented to the school officials for verification to complete registration.

Can my student attend school without a Florida DH Form 680 or Form 681 that reflects required immunizations or exemptions?

No, Florida DH Form 680 or Form 681 must be presented to the school officials for verification before your child can enter the classroom for learning.

What if the Florida DH Form 680 is incomplete, expired, or not presented for entry into school?

According to Florida School Health Administrative Guidelines, Section III, Chapter 9: Mandatory exclusion from school is required by law in Florida until acceptable immunization documentation is presented.

Can my Pastor or Rabbi complete [Florida DH Form 681](#) for my child NOT to receive immunizations?

No, Form DH 681 must be issued by a County Health Department (CHD) and signed by the county department of health medical director or designee, based on established religious beliefs or practices ONLY.

Can I download and complete my own Florida Form 680 based on information given to me personally for my child?

No, Florida DH Form 680 must be completed by a Florida medical provider, a county health department or a Florida school board nurse with privileges to Florida SHOTS.

Can my school nurse verify my child's immunizations from another state and complete Florida Form 680?

Yes, but your child will not be allowed to attend school until this verification has been completed.

Are required school entry immunizations free?

Yes, through your local county health department subject to the availability but there is a required administrative fee to be paid. For children with health insurance, immunizations are covered under well visits, with your pediatrician, local urgent care centers or local clinics.

Are homeless students exempt from required immunizations?

No, An authorized school official, principal or FIN Liaison, may issue a **temporary** exemption for a period not to exceed 30 days, to permit students who transfer into a new county to attend class until his/her records can be obtained (s. 1003.22(5)(e),F.S.) This allows 30 days for the student to get vaccinated.

If my child has a medical condition, are they exempt from immunizations?

It depends on the condition and physician's recommendation, but a temporary medical exemption can be issued by the doctor until the student can be caught up on the immunizations. * **Temporary Medical Exemption (DH 680 Form Part B):** Any child who has incomplete documentation of vaccination for the required number of doses, should be admitted after the first dose(s) is given and issued a temporary medical exemption, then scheduled for the next dose according to age and dosage spacing.

Can my child attend school on the first day of 7th grade WITHOUT the Tdap vaccine documented as given or exempt?

No, all 7th graders are required to have documentation of this vaccine or exemption.

My child received DTaP as a booster shot instead of the Tdap vaccine; will they need to get a Tdap booster in addition, prior to attending 7th grade?

No, the student who received DTaP vaccine as a booster received the appropriate amount of tetanus toxoid and MORE diphtheria toxoid and pertussis antigen than is recommended. This dose can count as Tdap and the student does not need a repeat dose.

Can my child's immunization record be handwritten on a Florida Form 680?

Yes, but it must be certified by a signature from the Florida medical provider and their office seal or stamp. (It is not required that all providers have access to FLShots and thus a handwritten form may be produced by those providers without access.)

Are there immunization guidelines available for further clarification?

[Yes.](#) Please click yes to follow link to [guideline manual](#) or visit www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/immunization/schoolguide.pdf.

Questions/comments regarding guidelines:

Please contact Seminole County Health Department @ 407.665.3000 Immunization Program Representative or visit www.immunizeFlorida.org