

Parents' Guide to Vaccines for Children in Child Care

If your child is in child care, he or she must have up-to-date vaccinations. A child who has not had all the required vaccines might not be allowed to attend child care. This is the law in New Hampshire.

Please call Mid-State Health Center to find out if your child has all the vaccines needed to attend child care. You can also find out by using the table on page 2. If your child needs more shots, make an appointment as soon as possible.

You must give the child care provider a copy of your child's vaccine record. You can get an official record from Mid-State Health Center.

If the doctor told you that your child should not get a vaccine, ask the doctor to write a note to the child care provider about it. If vaccination is against your religion, you must sign a special form.

The vaccines that are required for child care protect your child against 10 diseases. There are other contagious diseases that can harm your child such as pneumonia, the flu, and hepatitis A. These can be prevented by vaccination. Talk with the doctor or nurse practitioner about other vaccines your child might be able to get.

To get a copy of your child's vaccine records, contact Mid-State Health Center at 536-4000 (Plymouth office) or 744-6200 (Bristol office) and ask to have the record faxed to your child care provider. Or you may come to the clinic and pick up a copy of the record.

Does your child have all the vaccines needed to be in child care?

Your child must have the following vaccines before attending child care, depending on his or her age.

Diseases	Vaccine names	Age when vaccine should be given					
		Birth	2 months	4 months	6 months	12 months	15 months
Hepatitis B	Comvax Engerix-B Pediarix Recombivax Twinrix	✓	✓		✓		
Diphtheria, tetanus, & pertussis	Daptacel DT* DTaP DTP Infanrix Kinrix Pediarix Pentacel TriHIBit Tripedia		✓	✓	✓		✓
Polio	IPOL IPV Kinrix OPV Pediarix Pentacel		✓	✓	✓		
Hib	ActHIB Comvax H. flu Hib Hiberix Haemophilus influenzae type B HibTiter PedvaxHIB Pentacel TriHIBit		✓	✓	✓ (with certain brands of vaccine, this dose might not be needed)	✓	
Measles, mumps, & rubella	MMR MMR II MMRV ProQuad					✓	
Varicella (chickenpox)	Varivax ProQuad MMRV					✓	

*DT vaccine does not protect against pertussis