**Section 695.10 Basic Immunization**

a) The optimum starting ages for the specified immunizing procedures are as follows:

1) Diphtheria − two to four months

2) Pertussis − two to four months, combined with tetanus toxoid

3) Tetanus − two to four months

4) Poliomyelitis − two to four months

5) Measles – 12 to 15 months

6) Rubella – 12 to 15 months

7) Mumps – 12 to 15 months

8) Haemophilus − two to four months influenzae type b

9) Hepatitis B – birth to two months

10) Varicella – 12 to 18 months

11) Invasive Pneumococcal disease (except as noted in subsection (l)) – two to four months

12) Meningococcal Disease – six months to two years

b) Upon first entering a child care facility, all children two months of age and older shall show proof that the child has been immunized, or is in the process of being immunized, according to the recommended schedule, against diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, polio, measles, mumps, rubella, Haemophilus influenzae type b, hepatitis B, varicella, and invasive pneumococcal disease.

c) All children entering school programs in Illinois for the first time shall show proof of immunity against:

1) Diphtheria

2) Pertussis (except as noted in subsection (d))

3) Tetanus

4) Poliomyelitis

5) Measles (except as noted in subsection (f))

6) Rubella

7) Mumps

8) Haemophilus influenzae type b (except as noted in subsection (i))

9) Hepatitis B (except as noted in subsection (j))

10) Varicella (except as noted in subsection (k))

11) Invasive pneumococcal disease (except as noted in subsection (l))

12) Meningococcal Disease (except as noted in subsection (m))

d) Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis

1) Any child entering a child care facility or school program below the kindergarten level shall show proof of having received three doses of Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTP or DTaP) vaccine by one year of age and one additional dose by the second birthday. The first three doses in the series shall have been received no less than four weeks (28 days) apart. The interval between the third and fourth doses shall be at least six months. Any child 24 months of age or older shall show proof of four doses of DTP or DTaP vaccine, appropriately spaced.

2) Any child entering school (kindergarten or first grade) for the first time shall show proof of having received four or more doses of Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTP or DTaP) vaccine, with the last dose being a booster and having been received on or after the fourth birthday. The first three doses in the series shall have been received no less than four weeks (28 days) apart. The interval between the third and fourth doses shall be at least six months. Children six years of age or older may receive adult Tetanus, Diphtheria (Td) vaccine in lieu of DTP or DTaP vaccine.

3) Any child entering school at a grade level not included in subsection (d)(1) or (2) shall show proof of having received three or more doses of DTP, DTaP, pediatric DT or adult Tetanus, Diphtheria (Td), with the last dose being a booster and having been received on or after the fourth birthday. The first two doses in the series shall have been received no less than four weeks (28 days) apart. The interval between the second and third doses shall be at least 6 months.

4) Receipt of pediatric Diphtheria, Tetanus (DT) vaccine in lieu of DTP or DTaP is acceptable only if the pertussis component of the vaccine is medically contraindicated. Documentation of the medical contraindication shall be verified as specified in Section 695.30.

5) Beginning with school year 2011-2012, any child entering sixth grade shall show proof of receiving one dose of Tdap (defined as tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis) vaccine regardless of the interval since the last DTaP, DT or Td dose.

6) Students entering grades seven through 12 who have not already received Tdap are required to receive only one Tdap dose regardless of the interval since the last DTaP, DT or Td dose.

7) For students attending school programs in which grade levels (kindergarten through 12) are not assigned, including special education programs, proof of one dose of Tdap vaccine as described in subsection (d)(5) shall be submitted prior to the school years in which the child reaches the ages of 11 and 15.

8) School-age children entering a child care facility shall comply with the immunization requirements in subsections (d)(2), (3), (4) and (5).

e) Polio

1) Any child entering a child care facility or school program below the kindergarten level shall show proof of having received two doses of polio vaccine (defined as oral poliovirus vaccine (OPV) or inactivated poliovirus vaccine (IPV)) by one year of age and a third dose by the second birthday. Doses in the series shall have been received no less than four weeks (28 days) apart. Any child 24 months of age or older shall show proof of at least three doses of polio vaccine, appropriately spaced.

2) Any child entering school at any grade level, kindergarten through 12, shall show proof of having received three or more doses of polio vaccine (defined as oral poliovirus vaccine (OPV) or inactivated poliovirus vaccine (IPV)). A child who received any combination of IPV and OPV shall show proof of having received at least four doses, with the last dose having been received on or after the fourth birthday. Doses in the series shall have been received no less than four weeks (28 days) apart. A child who received IPV exclusively or OPV exclusively shall show proof of having received at least three doses, with the last dose having been received on or after the fourth birthday. Doses in the series shall have been received no less than four weeks (28 days) apart.

3) School-age children entering a child care facility shall comply with the immunization requirements in subsection (e)(2).

f) Measles

1) Any child entering a child care facility or school program below the kindergarten level shall show proof of having received one dose of live measles virus vaccine by the second birthday. The measles vaccine shall have been received on or after the first birthday.

2) The child shall:

A) Show proof that he or she has been age-appropriately immunized against measles prior to entering a child care facility or school, including school programs below the kindergarten level, for the first time; or

B) Present a statement from the physician that he or she has had measles as noted in Section 695.50(c); or

C) Present laboratory evidence of measles immunity.

3) Children entering school at any grade level, kindergarten through-12, shall show proof of having received two doses of live measles virus vaccine, the first dose on or after the first birthday and the second dose no less than four weeks (28 days) after the first dose, or other proof of immunity as described in this Part.

4) For students attending school programs where grade levels (kindergarten through 12) are not assigned, including special education programs, proof of two doses of live measles virus vaccine as described in subsection (f)(3) shall be submitted prior to the school years in which the child reaches the ages of five, 11 and 15.

5) School-age children entering a child care facility shall comply with the immunization requirements in subsections (f)(2), (3) and (4).

g) Mumps

1) Any child entering a child care facility or school program below the kindergarten level shall show proof of having received one dose of live mumps virus vaccine by the second birthday. The mumps vaccine shall have been received on or after the first birthday.

2) The child shall:

A) Show proof that he or she has been age-appropriately immunized against mumps prior to entering a child care facility or school, including school programs below the kindergarten level, for the first time; or

B) Present a statement from the physician that he or she has had mumps as noted in Section 695.50(e); or

C) Present laboratory evidence of mumps immunity (see Section 695.50(e)).

3) Beginning with the school year 2014-2015, children entering school at any grade level, kindergarten through 12, shall show proof of having received two doses of live mumps virus vaccine, the first dose on or after the first birthday and the second dose no less than four weeks (28 days) after the first dose, or other proof of immunity as described in this Part.

4) Only those children who have been immunized with live mumps virus vaccine on or after the first birthday, have had physician diagnosed mumps disease, or show laboratory evidence of immunity shall be considered to be immune.

5) For students attending school programs where grade levels (kindergarten through 12) are not assigned, including special education programs, proof of two doses of live mumps virus vaccine as described in subsection (f)(3) shall be submitted prior to the school years in which the child reaches the ages of five, 11 and 15.

6) School-age children entering a child care facility shall comply with the immunization requirements in subsections (g)(2), (3) and (4).

h) Rubella

1) Any child entering a child care facility or school program below the kindergarten level shall show proof of having received one dose of live rubella virus vaccine by the second birthday. The rubella vaccine shall have been received on or after the first birthday.

2) The child shall:

A) Show proof that he or she has been age-appropriately immunized against rubella prior to entering a child care facility or school, including school programs below the kindergarten level, for the first time; or

B) Present laboratory evidence of immunity to rubella.

3) Beginning with the school year 2014-2015, children entering school at any grade level, kindergarten through 12, shall show proof of having received two doses of live rubella virus vaccine, the first dose on or after the first birthday and the second dose no less than four weeks (28 days) after the first dose, or other proof of immunity as described in this Part.

4) Only those children who have been immunized with rubella vaccine on or after the first birthday, or have a laboratory (serologic) evidence of immunity to rubella, shall be considered to be immune.

5) For students attending school programs where grade levels (kindergarten through 12) are not assigned, including special education programs, proof of two doses of live rubella virus vaccine as described in subsection (f)(3) shall be submitted prior to the school years in which the child reaches the ages of five, 11 and 15.

6) School-age children entering a child care facility shall comply with the immunization requirements in subsections (h)(2), (3) and (4).

i) Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)

1) Any child under five years of age entering a child care facility or school program below the kindergarten level shall show proof of immunization that complies with the Hib vaccination schedule in Appendix A of this Part.

2) Children 24 to 59 months of age who have not received the primary series of Hib vaccine, according to the Hib vaccination schedule, shall show proof of receiving one dose of Hib vaccine at 15 months of age or older.

3) Any child who has reached his or her fifth birthday shall not be required to provide proof of immunization with Hib vaccine.

j) Hepatitis B

1) Any child two years of age or older enrolling in a child care facility or school program below the kindergarten level shall show proof of having received three doses of hepatitis B vaccine. The first two doses shall have been received no less than four weeks (28 days) apart. The interval between the second and third doses shall be at least two months. The interval between the first and the third doses shall be at least four months. The third dose shall have been administered on or after six months of age. The child shall:

A) Show proof that he or she has been age-appropriately immunized against hepatitis B prior to enrolling in a child care facility or school program below the kindergarten level for the first time; or

B) Present laboratory evidence of prior or current hepatitis B infection.

2) Children entering the sixth grade shall show proof of having received three doses of hepatitis B vaccine. The first two doses shall have been received no less than four weeks (28 days) apart. The interval between the second and third dose must be at least 2 months. The interval between the first dose and the third shall be at least four months. Proof of prior or current infection, if verified by laboratory evidence, may be substituted for proof of vaccination (see Section 695.50(f)).

3) The third dose of hepatitis B vaccine is not required if it can be documented that the child received two doses of adult formulation Recombivax-HB vaccine (10 mcg), the child was 11 to 15 years of age at the time of vaccine administration, and the interval between receipt of the two doses was at least four months.

4) Only those children who have been immunized with hepatitis B vaccine in accordance with subsections (j)(1), (2) and (3) or have laboratory evidence of prior or current hepatitis B infection shall be considered immune.

5) School-age children entering a child care facility shall comply with the immunization requirements in this subsection (j).

k) Varicella

1) Any child two years of age or older entering a child care facility or school program below the kindergarten level shall show proof of having received one dose of varicella vaccine or other proof of immunity as specified in Section 695.50(g). The varicella vaccine shall have been received on or after the first birthday.

2) The child shall:

A) Show proof that he or she has been age-appropriately immunized against varicella prior to entering a child care facility or school program below the kindergarten level for the first time, or

B) Present a statement from a physician verifying that the child has had varicella, or

C) Present a statement from a health care provider (as defined in Section 695.50(a)) verifying that a parent's or legal guardian's description of varicella disease history is indicative of past infection, or

D) Present laboratory evidence of immunity to varicella.

3) Children who entered kindergarten for the first time on or after July 1, 2002 shall show proof of having received one dose of varicella vaccine on or after the first birthday or other proof of immunity as specified in Section 695.50(g).

4) Beginning with the school year 2014-2015, any child entering kindergarten, sixth grade or ninth grade for the first time shall show proof of having received two doses of varicella vaccine, the first dose on or after the first birthday and the second dose no less than four weeks (28 days) after the first, or other proof of immunity as specified in Section 695.50(g).

5) Only those children who have been immunized with varicella vaccine in accordance with subsections (k)(1), (2)(A), (3) and (4), have had physician diagnosed varicella disease, have a health care provider's interpretation that a parent's or legal guardian's description of varicella disease history is indicative of past infection, or have laboratory evidence of immunity shall be considered to be immune.

6) For students attending school programs where grade levels (kindergarten through 12) are not assigned, including special education programs, proof of two doses of varicella vaccine as described in subsections (k)(3) and (4) shall be submitted prior to the school years in which the child reaches the ages of five, 11 and 15.

7) School-age children entering a child care facility shall comply with the immunization requirements in subsections (k)(2), (3) and (4).

l) Invasive Pneumococcal Disease

1) Any child under two years of age entering a child care facility or school program below the kindergarten level shall show proof of immunization that complies with the pneumococcal vaccination schedule in Appendix B.

2) Children 24 to 59 months of age who have not received the primary series of pneumococcal conjugate vaccine, according to the recommended vaccination schedule, shall show proof of receiving one dose of pneumococcal vaccine.

3) Any child who has reached his or her fifth birthday shall not be required to provide proof of immunization with pneumococcal conjugate vaccine.

m) Meningococcal Disease

1) Beginning with the school year 2015-2016, any child entering the sixth grade shall show proof of having received one dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine on or after the 11th birthday.

2) Beginning with the school year 2015-2016, any child entering the 12th grade shall show proof of receiving two doses of meningococcal conjugate vaccine prior to entering the 12th grade. The first dose shall have been received on or after the 11th birthday, and the second dose shall have been received at least eight weeks after the first dose. If the first dose is administered when the child is 16 years of age or older, only one dose is required.

3) For students attending school programs where grade levels (kindergarten through 12) are not assigned, including special education programs, proof of having received one dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine shall be submitted prior to the school year in which the child reaches age 11 and a second dose prior to the school year in which the child reaches age 15.

n) The requirements of this Section also apply to children who transfer into Illinois child care facilities, school programs, and schools from other states, regardless of the age or grade level at which the child transfers.

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