**New Mexico Childcare/Pre-School/School Entry Immunization Requirements: 2019-20 school year**

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### Minimum # of vaccine doses by childcare and pre-school age levels

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### Vaccine doses by school grade level

**Notes**
- One dose required on/after 4th birthday. Four doses are sufficient if last dose given on/after 4th birthday, but five doses are preferred for optimal protection.
- One dose Tdap required for entry into 7th grade. HPV vaccination is also strongly recommended for the prevention of cancer.
- Two doses adult Recombivax HB is also valid if administered at ages 11-15 and if dose 2 received no sooner than 16 weeks after dose 1.
- Min. age for 1st dose is 12 mos. Dose 2 should ideally be given at age ≥12, see note below. Live vaccines (MMR, Varicella) must be given on same day; if not, they must be administered a min. of 28 days apart.

### Resources
- NM Immunization Protocol
  - [https://nmhealth.org/publication/view/regulation/531/](https://nmhealth.org/publication/view/regulation/531/)
- NMSIS
  - [https://nmsis.health.state.nm.us](https://nmsis.health.state.nm.us)
- NM School Health Manual
  - [http://www.nmschoolhealthmanual.org](http://www.nmschoolhealthmanual.org)
- For more information call your Regional DOH Immunization contact

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**Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis:** If child (4 months-6 years) is behind schedule, follow the CDC’s catch-up schedule.

**Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis:** 7th-12th graders require proof of 1 dose of Tdap regardless of when the last Tdap-containing vaccine was given.

**Catch-up:** Children 7-18 years who are not fully immunized with the childhood DTaP series should be vaccinated according to the CDC’s catch-up schedule, with Tdap as the 1st dose followed by Td if needed. A 3-dose series is sufficient if initiated after age 7, in which one dose must be Tdap, followed by two doses of Td. Children age 7-10 who receive 1 dose of Tdap as part of the catch-up series require 1 additional dose at age 11-12 for 7th grade entry.

**Polio:** A minimum of 4 weeks between doses required with 6 months between last two doses. Var (oral polio) given after April 1, 2016 not valid.

**MMR:** Required 2nd dose should be given on/after 4th birthday. However, dose 1 may be given earlier with at least 4 weeks between dose 1 and 2.

**Hib:** If series started <12 months of age, 3 doses required with at least 1 dose on/after 1st birthday. Two doses required if dose 1 received at 12-14 months. One dose of Hib vaccine administered between age 16-59 months is sufficient. Not recommended ≥60 months of age.

**Hep B:** Dose 2 a minimum of 4 weeks after dose 1; dose 3 at least 16 weeks after dose 1 and at least 8 weeks after dose 2. Infants currently receiving primary series, final dose should be administered no earlier than age 24 weeks.

**PCV:** Administer a series of PCV13 vaccine at ages 2, 4, 6 months with a booster at age 12-15 months. Catch-up: Administer 1 dose of PCV13 to all healthy children 12-59 months who are not completely vaccinated for their age; children >60 months, no doses required.

**Varicella:** For children 12 months-12 years, the minimum interval between the two doses is 3 months. However, if dose 2 was administered ≥28 days after dose 1, dose 2 is considered valid and need not be repeated. For children ≥13 years, the recommended minimum interval is 4 wks.

**Required** for proof of varicella immunity:
- For K-4th graders: Receipt of vaccine; titer or laboratory confirmed diagnosis is required as proof of prior disease.
- For 5th-12th graders: Receipt of vaccine, written proof of immunity by a physician/healthcare provider or laboratory titer is required.
- **All newly diagnosed** varicella cases require laboratory confirmation of disease.

**Flu vaccine** is recommended for everyone 6 months and older.

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