



# New Mexico Childcare/Pre-School/School Entry Immunization Requirements: 2020-21 school year

New Mexico School Nurses are granted Public Health authority by the NM Secretary of Health for collecting and submitting immunization information

Vaccine	Minimum # vaccine doses by age							Vaccine doses by school grade level												Notes		
	By 4 Mo.	By 6 Mo.	By 12 Mo.	By 15 Mo.	16-47 Mo.	48-59 Mo.	≥ 60 Mo.	K	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>		12 <sup>th</sup>	
Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis (DTaP/DT/Td)*	1	2	3	3	3	4	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	One dose required on/after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday. Four doses are sufficient if last dose given on/after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday, with at least 6 months between the last two doses. Five doses are preferred for optimal protection.
Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis (Tdap)															1	1	1	1	1	1	1	One dose Tdap required for entry into 7 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> grade.
Polio (IPV)* (OPV <sup>2</sup> )	1	2	2	2	3	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	Students in K-9 <sup>th</sup> grades final dose required on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday. Three doses sufficient if CDC's catch-up schedule used AND last dose was given on/after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday with at least 6 months between the last two doses.
Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR)				1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	Minimum age for valid 1st dose is 12 mos. Live vaccines (MMR, Varicella) must be given on the same day; if not, they must be administered a min. of 28 days apart.
Haemophilus Influenzae type B (Hib)*	1	2	2	2	3/2/1	3/2/1	3/2/1															
Hepatitis B (HepB)	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	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.
Pneumococcal (PCV)*	2	3	3	4/3/2/1	4/3/2/1	4/3/2/1	4/3/2/1/0															
Varicella (VAR)				1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	Min. age for 1st dose is 12 mos. Dose 2 should ideally be given at age ≥4, 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.
Hepatitis A (HepA)				1	1	2	2	2														
Meningococcal Men (ACWY)															1	1						1 dose required for 7 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grade entry; booster dose recommended at age 16-18. Men ACWY strongly recommended for grades 9-12.

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

**Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis:** 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders require proof of 1 dose of Tdap regardless of when the last Td-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 11-12 for 7<sup>th</sup> grade entry.

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

**MMR:** Required 2<sup>nd</sup> dose should be given on/after 4<sup>th</sup> birthday. However, dose 2 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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-5<sup>th</sup> graders: Receipt of vaccine; titer or laboratory confirmed diagnosis is required as proof of prior disease.
  - For 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders: Receipt of vaccine, written proof of immunity by a physician/health care provider or laboratory titer is required.
  - All newly diagnosed varicella cases require laboratory confirmation of disease.

**Hep A:** One dose required by 15 months; 2 doses required at 48 months with at least 6 months between doses.

Recommended # doses for adult students age 19+ in secondary school	
Vaccine	doses
Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis (Tdap)	1
Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR)	2
Varicella (VAR)	2

**Resources**

Refer to the CDC immunization schedule for detailed footnotes  
<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/child-adolescent.html>  
 NM Immunization Protocol  
<https://nmhealth.org/publication/view/regulation/531/>  
 NMSIIS  
<https://nmsiis.health.state.nm.us>  
 NM School Health Manual  
<http://www.nmschoolhealthmanual.org>

\*Minimum age 6 weeks. Flu vaccine is recommended for everyone 6 months and older. Changes from last year's requirements are highlighted for ease of use.

Notes: Any vaccine administered ≤4 days prior to minimum interval or age is valid. All students enrolled in designated grades are expected to meet requirements.