# Technical Bulletin
# Division of Public and Behavioral Health

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**Topic:** New Vaccination Requirement for Nevada Public and Private Schools
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**To:** Immunization Providers, School Nurses, County Health Officers, Department of Education, School District Administrators, Boards of Trustees of School Districts, Charter School Officials, and Private School Officials

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Amendments to Nevada Administrative Code **(NAC) 392.105 and 394.250** were adopted by the State Board of Health on September 9th, 2016 and affirmed by the Nevada Secretary of State's office on November 2nd, 2016. **As noted below, the new requirement will go into effect beginning with the 2017-18 school year.**

1. A child enrolling in seventh (7th) grade in a Nevada public or private school after June 30th, 2017 must receive an immunization against Neisseria meningitidis (meningitis) in the form of a quadrivalent meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV4). The child must receive at least one dose of MCV4 on or after age 10 years.
2. This new requirement **does not apply** to students enrolled in a Nevada public or private school before July 1st, 2009.

The exact language of the new vaccination requirement may be found at:
http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Register/2016Register/R052-16A.pdf

Nevada's Chief Medical Officer, Dr. John DiMuro, is responsible for providing the direction on the timing (schedule) and number of doses for all required immunizations for school-aged children.

All children enrolling into kindergarten, 7th grade, or those who are new to a Nevada school district for any grade must be fully vaccinated per the regulations set by the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health, as illustrated in the following table. The newly required MCV4 vaccination has been highlighted. Children must be fully vaccinated **prior to** being enrolled into school.

Conditional enrollment is only permitted when a child would need multiple visits to a healthcare provider to achieve compliant status. If all needed doses can be administered at one appointment, then the child **cannot enroll** in school until they are vaccine compliant. As a reminder, only medical and religious exemptions are permitted per NRS 392.437-439 and 394.193-194.

Nevada WebIZ is the statewide immunization information system used in Nevada; it can assist an authorized user in determining if a student is compliant with Nevada's immunization requirements. Authorized users can access the system online, https://webiz.nv.gov/webiznet_nv/Login.aspx. School officials interested in NV WebIZ access may contact the Help Desk at (775) 684-5954, toll-free at (877) 689-3249, or by e-mailing izit@health.nv.gov.

| Nevada School-Required Vaccination Schedule as of 7/1/2017 | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Required Vaccines** | **2 mo. of age** | **4 mo. of age** | **6 mo. of age** | **12-15 mo. of age** | **18-24 mo. of age** | **4-6 yrs. of age** | **11-12 yrs. of age** | **Total Doses Required PRIOR to School Entry** |
| **DTP, DT, DTaP** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | | **5*** | | **4 or 5** *If dose #4 is given on or after 4th birthday, #5 is not needed |
| **Polio (IPV)** | **1** | **2** | **3** | | | **4*** | | **3 or 4** *If dose #3 is given on or after 4th birthday, #4 is not needed |
| **MMR** | | | | **1** | | **2** | | **2** (doses must be at least 4 weeks apart) |
| **Hepatitis B** | **1** | **2** | **3** | | | | | **3** |
| **Varicella** | | | | **1** | | **2** | | **2** |
| **Hepatitis A** | | | | **1** | **2** | | | **2** (doses must be at least 6 months apart) |
| **Tdap** | | | | | | | **1** | **1** |
| **MCV4** | | | | | | | **1** | **1** |

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