

New Mexico Childcare/Pre-School/School Entry Immunization Requirements: 2011-12 School Year

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

Vaccine <i>(Attention to Footnotes)</i>	Minimum Number of Vaccine Doses Required by Childcare & Pre-school Age Levels					
	By 4 Months	By 6 Months	By 12 Months	By 15 Months	16-47 Months	≥ 48 Months
Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis	1	2	3	3	3	4
Polio ¹	1	2	2	3	3	3 (4) <i>(see Polio "Notes" below)</i>
Measles/Mumps/Rubella ²				1	1	2 ²
Haemophilus Influenza type B ³ (Hib)	1	2	2	2	3/2/1 ³	3/2/1 ³
Hepatitis B ⁴	1	2	3	3	3	3
Varicella				1	1	2
Hepatitis A ⁵				1 ⁵	1 ⁵	1 ⁵

Vaccine <i>(Attention to Notes & Footnotes)</i>	Minimum Number of Vaccine Doses Required by School Grade Levels													NOTES
	K	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	
Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis ⁶ (DTP/DTaP/Td)	4	4 ⁶	4 ⁶	4 ⁶	4 ⁶	4 ⁶	4 ⁶	4 ⁶	4 ⁶	4 ⁶	4 ⁶	4 ⁶	4 ⁶	1 dose required on/after 4 th birthday. 4 doses sufficient if last dose given on/after 4 th birthday.
Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis ⁶ (Tdap)								1	1	1	1	1	1	1 dose Tdap required for grade 7-12 entry.
Polio ¹	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)	At least 4 doses required if both OPV & IPV used for series.
Measles/Mumps/Rubella ² (MMR)	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	Minimum age for 1 st dose 12 months; 2 nd dose recommended at age 4-5 years. 2 nd dose acceptable before age 4 years with minimum of 28 days between 1 st & 2 nd doses.
Hepatitis B	3	3	3	3	3	3	3 (2)	3 (2)	3 (2)	3 (2)	3 (2)	3 (2)	3 (2)	Two-dose Recombivax HB is also valid if administered at ages 11-15 years if 2 nd dose received no sooner than 16 weeks after 1 st dose.
Varicella ⁷	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1				2 doses recommended for 4 th – 12 th grades.

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

¹ **Polio:** A minimum of 4 weeks between doses required; final dose on or after 4th birthday.

² **MMR:** Second dose recommended on/after 4th birthday. Dose 2 may be given earlier with at least 4 weeks between 1st & 2nd doses. If using MMRV for both doses, minimum interval is 3 months.

³ **Hib:** If series started <12 months of age, 3 doses required with at least 1 dose on/after 1st birthday. Two doses required if 1st dose received at 12-14 months. One dose of Hib vaccine administered between 16 months and 5 years is sufficient. No doses required ≥5 years of age.

⁴ **Hep B:** 2nd dose no sooner than 4 weeks after dose 1; 3rd dose at least 16 weeks after dose 1 and at least 8 weeks after dose 2. The final dose should be given no earlier than age 24 weeks of age.

⁵ **Hep A:** One dose required by 15 months; two doses recommended with at least 6 months between doses.

⁶ **Tet/Diph/Pert:** A 3-dose series is sufficient if initiated after 7 years of age. 1 dose of 3-dose primary series should be Tdap, preferably the first, followed by 2 doses of Td.

⁷ **Varicella:** For children aged 12 months – 12 years, the recommended minimum interval between the two doses is 3 months. However, if dose 2 was administered ≥28 days after the dose 1, then dose 2 is considered valid and need not be repeated. For persons aged ≥13 years, the recommended minimum interval is 4 weeks.

Please note: A clarification memo has been published on requirements for polio, HepB & varicella. To view the memo, please [click here](#).

