

REQUIRED IMMUNIZATION TABLES taken directly from the Mississippi Department of Health website.

- Please note the TOTAL number of required immunizations children today must receive to attend daycare/school (pink text)
- MSDH *recommends*^b our children receive 49 doses of 14 vaccines by kindergarten. 21+ doses are administered during baby's first 6 months of life.
- More will be added with no end in sight.

Child Care Immunization Requirements

The MSDH regulations governing the licensure of child care facilities mandate that each child in a licensed facility have immunizations according to the table shown below. Children ages 0 – 4 years of age and enrolled in licensed child care facilities are expected to be age appropriately immunized^d.

Range of recommended ages									
Vaccine	Birth	1 Mo	2 Mos	4 Mos	6 Mos	12 Mos	15 Mos	18 Mos	24 Mos
1 vaccine Hepatitis B (HepB) ^b		#1		#2	#3				3
Inactivated Polio (IPV) 1 vaccine			#1	#2	#3				3
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP) 3 vaccines			#1	#2	#3	#4			12
Haemophilus influenzae type b^c (Hib) 1 vaccine			#1	#2	(#3) ^c	#3 or #4 ^c			4
Pneumococcal^d (PCV) 1 vaccine			#1	#2	#3	#4			4
Measles, Mumps, Rubella^e (MMR) 3 vaccines						#1			3
Varicella^f (VAR; aka Chickenpox) 1 vaccine						#1			1

a - Children who are not up to date for age should be vaccinated following the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) 2011 catch-up schedule, available at: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/default.htm>. Where an age range for a vaccine is shown, the vaccine is NOT required until the END of the age range.

b - An infant between birth and 2 months of age may receive one or more doses of Hepatitis B vaccine.

c - The number of recommended doses of Hib vaccine will vary according to the child's diagnosis, including pertussis, mumps, and measles.

Infants attending daycare in MS receive 21 doses of vaccines by 6 months. That is typically more than her mother received by the time she graduated highschool.

TOTAL: 30 doses of 11 vaccines by 24 months is required for an infant to attend daycare in Mississippi

f - Varicella vaccine will be waived for evidence of past infection: including past history of chickenpox or a serological confirmation of immunity to chickenpox.

Mississippi School Immunization Requirements

In order to enroll in any public or private kindergarten, elementary, or secondary school in Mississippi, a student must provide the school with a:

30 doses of 9 Vaccines are REQUIRED by the MSDH for a child to enter kindergarten in Mississippi. This applies to both Public and Private school.

The MSDH and MMA have been lobbying against the parents of Mississippi stating that our children are only required 5 vaccines to get into kindergarten. This is a LIE.

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The list of immunizations required is specified by the State Health Officer and is promulgated at least annually as directed by state statute. All vaccines are to be given at the appropriate age and intervals according to ACIP recommendations. The required vaccines are listed below.

Mississippi School Entry Immunization Requirements^a

Vaccine/antigen	No. of doses
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP) ^b	3 vaccines times 5 doses
Polio (IPV)	1 vaccine times 4 doses
Hepatitis B	1 vaccine times 3 doses
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	3 vaccines times 2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 vaccine times 2 doses

TOTAL: 30 doses of 9 vaccines

- All children entering a Mississippi school (any grade) for the first time will need listed immunizations. This includes Pre-K 4 year olds-12th grade.
- Children entering a Mississippi school after their 7th birthday who do not meet requirements, will need at least 3 total doses of diphtheria/tetanus containing vaccines (preferably as the 1st of the 3 doses) for children age 10 years and older. Refer to the Advisory Committee on Immunizations Practices (ACIP) catch up schedule at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/index.html>
- If the 4th dose is received on or after the 4th birthday, a 5th dose is not required.
- The final dose in the series should be administered at 4 years of age, regardless of number of previous doses. A 4th dose is not necessary if the 3rd dose was administered at age 4 years or older and at least 6 months following the previous dose.
- MMR vaccine may only be waived if there is a documented physician's diagnosis of previous infection with measles, mumps and rubella disease or a serological confirmation of immunity to measles, mumps and rubella.
- Varicella vaccine will be waived for evidence of past infection, including past history of chickenpox or a serological confirmation of immunity to chickenpox.

Mississippi 7th Grade School Immunization Requirements

Vaccine/antigen	No. of doses
Tdap (7 th grade entry)	a 6 th dose of these 3 vaccines is required! ¹

- Effective 2012-2013 school year all students entering, advancing or transferring into 7th grade will need proof of an adolescent whooping cough (pertussis) booster, aka Tdap vaccine, before entry into school in the fall. Tdap vaccine given on or after the 7th birthday meets the school requirement. **note here Tdap is described as "adolescent whooping cough booster." It is indeed Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis.**

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