

Immunization Requirements

Immunizations protect your child from 9 serious diseases; they are available from your pediatrician or Health Department. Tennessee law requires that children receive certain immunizations that must be documented on the state form available from your immunization provider. Listed below are the minimum number of immunizations required prior to school entry in 2006:

4 doses of Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Pertussis (DTP or DTaP)

4th dose must be administered on or after the 4th birthday

4 doses of Polio vaccine (OPV or IPV) 3 doses are acceptable if the 3rd dose is given on or after the 4th birthday

2 doses of Measles/ Mumps/ Rubella vaccine (MMR) 1st dose must be given on or after the 1st birthday;

2nd dose must be given at least 30 days after 1st dose

3 doses of Hepatitis B vaccine (HBV) (*for Kindergarten students & 7th graders only*)

1 dose of Varicella (chicken pox) given on or after the first birthday for entrance into kindergarten; a parent or physician diagnosed history of disease is acceptable

Questions? Call the Chattanooga-Hamilton County Health Department at (423)209-8340.