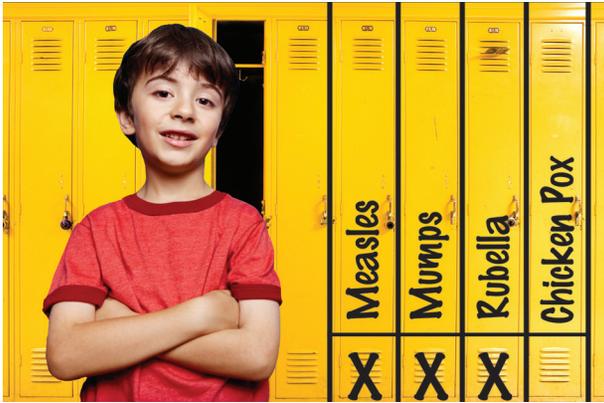


Reporting Immunization



You can report your child's immunizations directly to the Haldimand-Norfolk Health Unit:

- Online: www.hnhu.org/immunization-reporting
- Phone: 519-426-6170 or 905-318-6623
- Fax: 519 426 9246

According to Ontario law, children who go to school must have up-to-date immunizations or a legal exemption on file with Public Health. The Haldimand-Norfolk Health Unit is responsible for keeping vaccination records for every child attending school in Haldimand and Norfolk.

When your child receives a vaccination at a doctor's office, travel clinic or a hospital, please ensure it is reported to public health.

Public Health staff will review all reported immunizations submitted. If there is a discrepancy or additional proof of immunization is required the parent/guardian will be contacted



Why is it important to keep track of your child's vaccinations?

You may need an updated record for:

- Starting/transferring schools
- University or college
- Camp
- Employment
- Emergency health care
- Travel



For further information on school immunization, online immunization reporting, immunization schedules, or other immunization questions, please contact the Health Unit at 519-426-6170 or 905-318-6623 or visit www.hnhu.org

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How do vaccines work?

Vaccines work by activating your child's immune system to make antibodies and memory cells to prevent future infection. Immunizations work best when the publically funded immunization schedule is followed.

Are vaccines safe?

Vaccines are very safe. Vaccines undergo continuous analysis, monitoring and testing before they are approved for use in Canada. Mild side effects may include fever, mild pain, swelling and redness at the injection site. Serious reactions are very rare.

Are immunizations required for school attendance in Ontario?

All children attending school between the ages of 4 and 17 need to be immunized according to Ontario's Immunization Schedule. Children who are not fully immunized may not be allowed to attend school.

Parents who choose not to immunize their child for medical, religious or philosophical reasons, must complete a valid exemption form and submit it to the health unit.



Required Immunizations

- **DTap-IPV-Hib (Pediacef)**
Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, inactivated polio virus, haemophilus influenzae type b.
- **DTap-IPV (Infanrix Polio) or Tdap-IPV (Adacel-polio)**
Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, inactivated polio virus.
- **Tdap (Adacel)**
Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis.
- **MMR or MMRV**
Measles, mumps, rubella (and varicella).
- **Var (Varivax)**
Varicella (chickenpox)
- **Men C (Menjugate)**
1 strain Meningococcal
- **Men-C-ACYW-135 (Menactra)**
4 strain meningococcal

Recommended Immunizations

- **RV Rotavirus**
- **Pneu-C-13 (Pevnar 13)**
Pneumococcal
- **HPV (Gardasil)**
Human Papillomavirus
- **Flu Influenza**
- **HB Hepatitis B**



Comfort measures during immunization

- Hold your child. Being skin-to-skin helps to lessen baby's pain.
- Breastfeed infants during and after the immunization.
- Distraction techniques such as the use of a book or a toy or singing can help older babies and children.
- Talk to your child in advance about what will happen and how it will feel.

For more information about comfort measures during vaccination visit www.immunize.ca/en/parents/pain.aspx

Did you know?

- Breastfeeding provides enhanced immune protection alongside the use of vaccines.

Track your immunizations

Track your immunizations using your provincial/territorial immunization record and download the free immunizeCA app at immunize.ca/app

