

2013-2014 Minimum Health Requirements for Chicago Public Schools

CPS encourages all families to have a Medical Home.

A medical home will allow your child and family to access better healthcare. The medical home is where you can access affordable, quality, culturally competent, and coordinated healthcare.

Most people who are found eligible for Medicaid must choose a Primary Care Provider (Medical Home). The Illinois Client Enrollment Broker will help you understand your healthcare choices, so that you can choose the best plan for you.

<http://illinoisceb.com/>

If you are seeking a provider, you may call 311 or go to:

www.chicagoasthma.org and select "Clinic Search."

The CPS Children and Family Benefits Unit (CFBU) provides application assistance for CPS families that are eligible for benefit programs such as medical insurance (e.g., All Kids).

All Kids medical coverage provides health insurance for children in Illinois, regardless of immigration status. For more information, please call: **773-553-KIDS (5437)**

The Chicago Board of Education recognizes the relationship between academic achievement and access to health promotion and prevention activities. Healthy students have better attendance and perform better in school. The following health requirements apply to all children enrolled in a Chicago Public School. **Children must provide proof of required immunizations and health exams before October 15, 2013, or they will face exclusion from school.**

Physical Examination requirements due upon enrollment, **no later than 10/15/13**

Physical Examination must be completed within one year prior to entry to:

- Any Chicago Public School for the first time, at any grade level
- 6th grade and 9th grade (ages 6, 11, 15 for un-graded programs)
- Preschool and kindergarten (physical exam and lead screening through age 6)

Vision Examination requirements due upon enrollment, **no later than 10/15/13**

- Entering the State of Illinois for the first time at any grade level
- Entering kindergarten

Dental Examination requirements due upon enrollment, **no later than 5/15/14**

- Entering kindergarten, 2nd grade, and 6th grade

Immunization Requirements

Diphtheria, Pertussis (Whooping Cough), Tetanus (DTaP/Tdap)

- Four (4) or more doses for preschool, kindergarten, or 1st grade; three (3) or more doses for all other grades
- The last dose qualifying as a booster and received on or after the 4th birthday
- **NEW for the 2013-14 school year - children entering 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grades will be required to show proof of receiving one-dose of the Tdap vaccine**

Polio Virus (Polio Vaccine)

- Three (3) or more doses of a polio vaccine before entering school at any grade if inactivated vaccine used, exclusively. Four (4) doses are required at any grade if inactivated and oral polio vaccine are given in combination.
- The last dose qualifying as a booster and received on or after the 4th birthday

Measles

- One (1) dose required for preschool, and two (2) doses required before entering any other grade
- 1st dose received at 12 months or later
- 2nd dose of measles vaccine must be administered at least 1 month after 1st dose

Mumps and Rubella

- One (1) dose of each before entering any grade
- 1st dose received at 12 months of age or later

Hepatitis B

- Three (3) doses required before entering any grade (first dose received at birth or later)
- 2nd dose received at least 1 month after 1st dose
- 3rd dose received at least 2 months after 2nd dose, and 4 months after 1st dose

Varicella (Chicken Pox)

- One (1) dose required on or after the first birthday (**not required** after 11th grade)

Haemophilus Influenzae, Type B (HIB)

- Two (2) or more doses required for students entering any preschool or pre-kindergarten program (not required for children 5 years of age or older)
- Only one (1) dose required if first dose administered **at or after** 15 months of age

All required forms and additional information can be found at:

www.cps.edu/Programs/Wellness_and_transportation/Pages/Wellnessandtransportation.aspx

For additional information, please contact your school nurse.