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New Hampshire
School Immunization Requirements 2020-2021

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Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis DTaP DT/DTP Tdap/Td	6 years and under: 4 or 5 doses with the last dose given on or after the 4 th birthday 7 years and older: 3, 4, or 5 doses with the last dose given on or after the 4 th birthday Grades 7-12: 1 dose of Tdap is required for entry into 7 th grade
Polio	Grades K-8: 3 or 4 doses with the last dose given on or after the 4 th birthday and the last 2 doses separated by 6 months or more Grades 9-12: 3 doses, with the last dose given on or after the 4 th birthday OR 4 doses regardless of age at administration
Hepatitis B	Grades K-12: 3 doses at acceptable intervals
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella MMR	Grades K-12: 2 doses; the first dose must be administered on or after the 1 st birthday
Varicella (Chicken Pox)	Grades K-11: 2 doses with the first dose administered on or after the 1 st birthday OR laboratory confirmation of immunity Grade 12: 2 doses with the first dose administered on or after the 1 st birthday OR laboratory confirmation of immunity OR history of chicken pox disease

- Children must have proof of all required immunizations, documentation of immunity, or valid exemptions, in order to be admitted or enrolled in any school in New Hampshire. Documentation of immunity by confirming laboratory test is acceptable for Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Varicella, and Hepatitis B.
- A child may be “conditionally” enrolled when the parent or guardian provides:
 - 1) Documentation of at least one dose for each required vaccine; AND
 - 2) The appointment date for the next dose of required vaccine.
- All immunizations must meet minimum age and interval requirements for each vaccine. A 4-day grace period is allowed; however, live attenuated vaccines (MMR, Varicella, or nasal influenza vaccine) that are not administered on the same day must be administered at least 28 days apart.
- Medical and religious exemptions have specific requirements. Information is available at:
<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/immunization/exemptions.htm>

Minimum Age & Interval Schedule for Valid Vaccine Doses - New Hampshire School Immunization Requirements 2020/2021

Vaccine	Dose #	Minimum Age	Minimum Interval Between Doses	Notes
Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis DTaP	DTaP – Dose 1	6 weeks	4 weeks between Dose 1 & 2	<p>All children must have a valid dose on or after the 4th birthday.</p> <p>For children 6 years and under, the 5th dose is not necessary if the 4th dose was administered at age 4 years or older and is at least 6 months after the previous dose.</p> <p>DTaP #4 does not need to be repeated if administered at least 4 months after DTaP #3. This special 2-month grace period can be used when evaluating records retrospectively. A 4-day grace period can be added prospectively, but not retrospectively.</p>
	DTaP – Dose 2	10 weeks	4 weeks between Dose 2 & 3	
	DTaP – Dose 3	14 weeks	6 months between Dose 3 & 4*	
	DTaP – Dose 4	12 months	6 months between Dose 4 & 5	
	DTaP – Dose 5	4 years	-----	
Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis Tdap	Tdap – Dose 1	10 years	<i>Note: The 2020 ACIP immunization schedule states that children age 7 through 9 years who receive Tdap or DTaP inadvertently or as part of a catch-up series should receive the routine Tdap dose at 11–12 years.</i>	<p>Students are required to have a dose of Tdap prior to 7th grade.</p> <p>Tdap given on or after the 7th birthday meets this requirement per NH Administrative Rule He-P 301.14.</p>
Polio IPV	IPV – Dose 1	6 weeks	4 weeks between Dose 1 & 2	<p>*Kindergarten through 8th Grade: 3 or 4 doses, with one dose on or after the 4th birthday and at least 6 months after the previous dose.</p> <p>If a combined IPV/OPV polio schedule was used, the total number of doses needed is the same as an all IPV schedule.</p> <p>Any OPV dose(s) given on or after April 1, 2016 do not count towards the polio vaccine requirement and the series must be completed with IPV.</p>
	IPV – Dose 2	10 weeks	4 weeks between Dose 2 & 3	
	IPV – Dose 3	14 weeks	4 weeks to 6 months between Dose 3 & 4*	
	IPV – Dose 4	4 years	-----	
Hepatitis B HepB	HepB – Dose 1	Birth	4 weeks between Dose 1 & 2	<p>Minimum age for Dose 3 is at least 24 weeks of age.</p>
	HepB – Dose 2	4 weeks	8 weeks between Dose 2 & 3	
	HepB – Dose 3	24 weeks	16 weeks between Dose 1 & 3	
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella MMR	MMR – Dose 1	12 months	4 weeks between Dose 1 & 2	<p>Live attenuated vaccines not administered on the same day must be administered at least 28 days apart.</p>
	MMR – Dose 2	13 months	-----	
Varicella (chickenpox) VAR	VAR – Dose 1	12 months	12 weeks between Dose 1 & 2*	<p>Live attenuated vaccines not administered on the same day must be administered at least 28 days apart.</p> <p>*If first dose administered at age 13 or older, the minimum interval between Dose 1 and Dose 2 is 4 weeks.</p>
	VAR – Dose 2	15 months	-----	

Pre-school Students 3-5 Years Old

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DIPHTHERIA, TETANUS, PERTUSSIS (DTaP/DTP/DT)

3-5 years	Four doses. The 3 rd and 4 th dose must be separated by at least 6 months.
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POLIO

3-5 years	Three doses. Any OPV dose(s) given on or after April 1, 2016 does not count toward the polio vaccine requirement and the series must be completed with IPV.
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MEASLES, MUMPS, and RUBELLA (MMR)

3-5 years	One dose. This dose must be administered on or after age 12 months.
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HAEMOPHILUS INFLUENZAE TYPE B (Hib)

3-5 years	One dose on or after 15 months of age OR Four doses with the last dose administered on or after 12 months of age OR see catch-up schedule below* Hib is not required for children \geq 5 years of age.
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HEPATITIS B

3-5 years	Three doses given at acceptable intervals. See attached schedule (page 2)
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VARICELLA (CHICKEN POX)

3-5 years	One dose. This dose must be administered on or after age 12 months. OR laboratory confirmation of chicken pox disease.
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*Hib catch-up vaccination schedule:

- If unvaccinated at 15-59 months: 1 dose needed.
- If dose 1 given before 12 months and dose 2 before 15 months, 3rd and final doses must be 8 weeks after dose 2.
- If dose 1 given at 7-11 months, dose 2 must be at least 4 weeks later and 3rd and final dose given at 12-15 months or 8 weeks after dose 2 (whichever is later).
- If dose 1 given at 12-14 months, 2nd and final dose must be at least 8 weeks after dose 1.
- If **PedvaxHIB** brand used, call NHIP for recommended schedule and requirements for dosing.

Brand Names for Vaccines

Alphabetical List

May be used as a reference when reviewing immunization records.
This is a list of many vaccine brand names.

Not all are required for school, pre-school, or childcare admittance.

Brand Name	Vaccine(s)/Abbreviation
ActHIB®	Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)
Adacel®	Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis (Tdap)
Boostrix®	Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis (Tdap)
Daptacel®	Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP)
DT	Diphtheria, Tetanus (DT)
Engerix B®	Hepatitis B (HepB)
Hiberix®	Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)
Infanrix®	Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP)
Ipol®	Polio (IPV)
Kinrix®	Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP) & Polio (IPV)
M-M-R II	Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)
Pediarix®	Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP), Polio (IPV), & Hepatitis B (HepB)
PedvaxHIB®	Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)
Pentacel®	Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP), Polio (IPV), & Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)
ProQuad®	Measles, Mumps, Rubella & Varicella (MMRV)
Quadracel®	Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP) & Polio (IPV)
RecombivaxHB®	Hepatitis B (HepB)
TDVAX™	Tetanus, Diphtheria (Td)
Tenivac®	Tetanus, Diphtheria (Td)
Varivax®	Varicella (Chicken Pox, VAR)

See <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/terms/usvaccines.html> for other vaccine brand names.