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## 2024 Healthcare Worker Immunization Assessment Report

The Maine Immunization Program conducts an annual immunization assessment of Maine healthcare workers. Rules pursuant to <u>22 M.R.S. § 802</u> require each designated healthcare facility in the state of Maine to require proof of immunization or documented immunity against **measles**, **mumps**, **rubella**, and **varicella** from all employees (any person who performs any service for any remuneration including independent contractors; does not include persons providing ad hoc, non-health care services, with no potential for direct contact), and **hepatitis B** for all at-risk employees (*influenza rates are reported separately*). The healthcare facility should also adopt a uniform, permanent health record for maintaining information regarding the health status of each employee and submit a summary of the immunization status of all employees to the Maine CDC annually.

The 2024 Healthcare Worker Immunization Survey was conducted online from October 2024 to December 2024. The vaccination data reported by all facility types was analyzed and a summary table was generated (Table 1) as well as a graphical representation (Figure 1). Hospital specific data was analyzed separately and graphical representations of these results by vaccine type can be found on the following pages (Figures 2-6).

Immunization is the most effective and efficient way to ensure that healthcare workers, family members, and patients- particularly those who are immunocompromised- are protected against these vaccine preventable diseases. This is perhaps one of the most important reasons why it would be advantageous for facilities to meet all requirements of the Maine Immunization Healthcare Workers law and to help reach the goal of the Maine Immunization Program to bring the state vaccine coverage rate average for each of these vaccines to 100%.

Table 1: Immunization Rates by Facility Type

Vaccine	Home Health	Hospital	Intermediate Care/MR	Licensed Nursing	Multi-Level Healthcare	Residential Care	All Reporting Facilities
# Facilities Assessed	17	37	14	38	20	255	395
Measles	95.3%	99.3%	96.4%	92.0%	96.7%	75.7%	95.8%
Mumps	95.0%	99.1%	96.4%	92.0%	96.7%	75.0%	95.7%
Rubella	95.3%	99.3%	96.4%	90.1%	96.7%	75.1%	95.7%
Varicella	92.0%	98.9%	92.8%	88.0%	95.9%	74.3%	94.9%
Hepatitis B	82.3%	93.2%	80.4%	72.2%	88.1%	58.8%	86.9%

## 2024 Healthcare Worker Immunization Rates by Facility Type, Statewide



The bars in the graph above represent the percent of healthcare workers who are immune by vaccination or have laboratory evidence of immunity, if applicable.



The bars in the graph above represent the percent of healthcare workers who are immune to hepatitis B by vaccination or have laboratory evidence of immunity.



The bars in the graph above represent the percent of healthcare workers who are immune to measles by vaccination or have laboratory evidence of immunity.



The bars in the graph above represent the percent of healthcare workers who are immune to mumps by vaccination or have laboratory evidence of immunity.



The bars in the graph above represent the percent of healthcare workers who are immune to rubella by vaccination or have laboratory evidence of immunity.



The bars in the graph above represent the percent of healthcare workers who are immune to varicella by vaccination or have laboratory evidence of immunity.