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Child Care Immunization Standards

Age at which child must have vaccines to be compliant:	Minimum Number of Doses Required of Each Vaccine							
	DTaP	Polio	Hep B	Hib	PCV	MMR	Varicella	Hep A
0 through 2 months	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
By 3 months	1 Dose	1 Dose	1 Dose	1 Dose	1 Dose	None	None	None
By 5 months	2 Doses	2 Doses	2 Doses	2 Doses	2 Doses	None	None	None
By 7 months	3 Doses	2 Doses	2 Doses	2 Doses[1]	3 Doses[2]	None	None	None
By 16 months	3 Doses	2 Doses	2 Doses	3 Doses[1]	4 Doses[2]	1 Dose[3]	1 Dose[3]	None
By 19 months	4 Doses	3 Doses	3 Doses	3 Doses[1]	4 Doses[2]	1 Dose [3]	1 Dose[3]	None
By 25 months	4 Doses	3 Doses	3 Doses	3 Doses[1]	4 Doses[2]	1 Dose[3]	1 Dose3	1 Dose[3]
By 43 months	4 Doses	3 Doses	3 Doses	3 Doses[1]	4 Doses[2]	1 Dose[3]	1 Dose[3]	2 Doses[3]
By 60 months	5 Doses[4]	4 Doses[5]	3 Doses	3 Doses[1]	4 Doses[2]	1 Dose[3]	1 Dose[3]	2 Doses[3]
By 72 months	5 Doses[4]	4 Doses[5]	3 Doses	3 Doses[1]	4 Doses[2]	1 Dose[3]	1 Dose[3]	2 Doses[3]

[1] A complete Hib series is two doses plus a booster dose on or after 12 months of age (three doses total). If a child receives the first dose of Hib vaccine at 12 - 14 months of age, only one additional dose is required (two doses total). Any child who has received a single dose of Hib vaccine on or after 15 - 59 months of age is in compliance with these specified vaccine requirements. Children 60 months of age and older are not required to receive Hib vaccine.

[2] If the PCV series is started when a child is seven months old or the child is delinquent in the series, then all four doses may not be required. Please reference the information below to assist with compliance:

- For children seven through 11 months of age, two doses are required.
- For children 12 - 23 months of age: if three doses have been received prior to 12 months of age, then an additional dose is required (total of four doses) on or after 12 months of age. If one or two doses were received prior to 12 months of age, then a total of three doses are required with at least one dose on or after 12 months of age. If zero doses have been received, then two doses are required with both doses on or after 12 months of age.
- Children 24 months through 59 months meet the requirement if they have at least three doses with one dose on or after 12 months of age, or two doses with both doses on or after 12 months of age, or one dose on or after 24 months of age. Otherwise, one additional dose is required. Children 60 months of age and older are not required to receive PCV vaccine.

[3] For MMR, Varicella, and Hepatitis A vaccines, the first dose must be given on or after the first birthday. Vaccine doses administered within 4 days before the first birthday will satisfy the requirement.

[4] For DTaP, the fifth dose is not required if the fourth dose was administered on or after the child's fourth birthday and at least 6 months after the third dose.

[5] For Polio, the fourth dose is not required if the child receives the third dose on or after the child's fourth birthday and at least 6 months after the previous dose.

Completing the routine early-childhood vaccine series listed above by age 6 provides durable protection through adolescence, with only a few boosters required later.

If you have questions regarding catching your child up on immunizations, please contact the Maine Immunization Program at: (207) 287-3746 or (800) 867-4775, Email: ImmunizeME.DHHS@Maine.gov.
For questions regarding the childcare facility rule change, please contact the Office of Child and Family Services at: (207) 207-624-7900.

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