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Immunizations required for students entering school

LAS VEGAS – The start of a new school year is just a few weeks away for students in the Clark County School District (CCSD). However, before students can attend school, parents must provide proof of immunizations to the respective school their child attends.

Immunizations required for every student include seven vaccines: DTP/DT/Tap and Tdap, polio, MMR, hepatitis A and B, and varicella. Nevada Revised Statutes state a child may not be enrolled in a public school within this state unless the child has been immunized and has received the proper boosters for that immunization or is complying with the schedules established for the above vaccines; unless excused because of religious belief or medical condition.

“Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend children receive proper immunizations to protect against exposure to certain diseases,” said Director of Health Services, Lynn Row.

“Nevada has seen a rise in pertussis cases over the recent years. As the school year approaches, parents should be reminded to not wait until the last minute for immunizations as the wait time increases dramatically. Children look forward to the first day of school and a delay in current immunizations will delay them from starting with their peers.”

For families in transitional or temporary living situations such as living in a car, RV park, hotel, motel, shelter or multifamily residence, the Title I HOPE office can provide assistance. Families eligible for Title I HOPE services are given seven days to obtain the required immunizations and 30 days to obtain an original birth certificate.

For assistance with obtaining immunizations, parents may contact the Southern Nevada Health District at 702-759-0852 or by visiting their website at www.SNHD.info. Families eligible for Title I

HOPE may contact an advocate at 702-855-6682.

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