

PUBLIC HEALTH CONNECTION



Immunization Laws

If your child is attending a licensed child care center or school, a Certificate of Immunization must be provided to the center or school. The Certificate must have:

- The child's name,
- The child's birthdate,
- The dates the vaccines were received;
- Signature of a physician, physician's assistant, nurse, or certified medical assistant.

An administrative rule change to require meningococcal (A, C, W, Y) vaccine for students enrolling in 7th and 12th grades was effective January 11, 2017. The change will be implemented at the beginning of the upcoming 2017-2018 school year.

If your child has begun, but not completed, the required immunizations for his/her age, the child may receive a Provisional Certificate of Immunizations until the required immunizations are all received.

Students who do not provide proof of immunization or an immunization exemption on the first day of school cannot attend. Schools are required to keep the certificate on file for three years after the transfer/graduation of the child, or provide the record to the student upon graduation.

It is important to maintain immunization records in a safe place. Proof of immunizations may be necessary throughout life. The Iowa Department of Public Health has a permanent statewide electronic database called Iowa's Immunization Registry Information System (IRIS). IRIS contains a public record access feature in which parents or adults can search for their own child's immunization record at <https://iris.iow.gov>.

If you have questions regarding Iowa's immunization law, please call the Scott County Health Department at 563-326-8618.



OUR MISSION:

The Scott County Health Department promotes, protects, and preserves health through leadership, services, education, and partnerships.

OUR VISION:

Scott County—
A safe and healthy
community.



SPECIAL EVENTS

- *Scott County Board of Health Meeting, Scott County Administrative Center, 1st Floor Boardroom, 12:00 PM, Thursday, July 20, 2017.*
- *Scott County Health Department will be closed Tuesday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day.*

Links

- <https://www.educateiowa.gov/student-health-requirements>
- <http://ismiledentalhome.iowa.gov/SchoolDentalScreenings.aspx>
- <http://idph.iowa.gov/Portals/1/userfiles/163/Certificate%20of%20Dental%20Screening%208-17-16.pdf>

Back to School: School Dental Screenings

As you prepare for the upcoming school year, make sure your students have everything they need to start the school year off right. All Iowa children enrolling in kindergarten and ninth grade are required to submit proof of a dental screening. The dental screening requirement works to improve the oral health of Iowa's children. A screening for kindergarten may be performed by a licensed dentist, dental hygienist, nurse, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or physician assistant. A screening for ninth grade may be performed by a licensed dentist or dental hygienist only.

Don't forget to call your dentist today! If you don't have a dentist or need help finding one, our I-Smile™ coordinator is here to help, 563-326-8645.

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