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### **Health District offers Shots 4 Tots immunization clinics**

**LAS VEGAS** - The Southern Nevada Health District and United Way of Southern Nevada will offer several childhood immunizations clinics throughout Las Vegas as part of the Shots 4 Tots program. Childhood immunizations will be available at no cost. For information, contact the health district's immunization clinic, (702) 759-0850 or visit [www.SNHD.info](http://www.SNHD.info).

Parents should bring immunization records. Children with no records will have to begin the immunization sequence from the beginning. Non-custodial adults may accompany a child, however, written consent must be provided to the health district from the parent or guardian at the time of service. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's up-to-date recommended immunization schedule is available on the health district website.

Shots 4 Tots clinics are currently scheduled as follows:

**Sunday, Feb. 13**

**St. Sharbel Mission of Las Vegas/International buffet event**

10325 Rancho Destino Rd., Las Vegas, 89183

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Childhood vaccines, flu shots, adult TDap immunizations

**Monday, Feb. 14-Friday, Feb. 18**

**Shots 4 Tots Week**

Southern Nevada Health District

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

No administrative fees for infants and children through age 4

**Tuesday, March 1**

**Food 4 Less**

3250 E. Flamingo Rd., Las Vegas 89121

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Childhood vaccines, flu shots, adult TDap immunizations

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Nevada currently ranks 45<sup>th</sup> in vaccine coverage rates for children between the ages of 19 months and 36 months according to the 2009 National Immunization Survey, which is an improvement from 47<sup>th</sup> in the previous study.

Recently, several important milestones have been reached in controlling vaccine-preventable diseases among infants and adults worldwide:

- In 2009, many physicians leaving medical school will never see a case of measles.
- In 2007, CDC announced that childhood immunization rates remain at or near record highs.
- In 2005, the CDC announced that rubella is no longer a major health threat to pregnant women or their unborn children, due to high vaccine coverage rates.

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