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Health District announces back-to-school immunization clinics
Childhood shots available year-round

LAS VEGAS – The Southern Nevada Health District provides back-to-school immunizations at its public health centers year round and summer is an excellent time to bring in pre-schoolers, kindergartners, and 7th graders for their mandatory vaccinations. For information, contact the health district's immunization clinic, (702) 759-0850 or visit www.SNHD.info.

Parents must 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. An administrative fee of \$16 per patient for one immunization or \$25 per patient for two or more immunizations will be collected. Some vaccines might require an additional fee.

The health district will hold several back-to-school immunization clinics throughout August, including two Saturday clinics at the health district's Ravenholt Public Health Center on Shadow Lane. These are scheduled as follows: Sat., Aug. 20 and Sat. Aug. 27 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. No other health district services will be available.

Please note the health district's new immunization clinic hours at the East Las Vegas and Henderson public health centers:

- **Ravenholt Public Health Center, 625 Shadow Lane, Las Vegas**
Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Extended hours: Monday, Aug. 15-Friday, Aug. 19 open until 6 p.m.
Extended hours: Monday, Aug. 22-Friday, Aug. 26 open until 6 p.m.
No other health district services available after 4:30 p.m.
- **East Las Vegas Public Health Center, 560 N. Nellis Blvd., Suite E12, Las Vegas**
Monday – Thursday, 8 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. (*no nursing services/immunization clinics on Fridays*)
Immunization clinic for school immunizations only: Friday, Aug. 26 from 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- **Henderson Public Health Center, 520 E. Lake Mead Parkway, Henderson**
Monday – Thursday, 8 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. (*no nursing services/immunization clinics on Fridays*)
Immunization clinic for school immunizations only: Friday, Aug. 26 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
(Environmental Health services available as usual on Friday, Aug. 26)
- **Mesquite Public Health Center, 830 Hafen Lane, Mesquite**
Tuesday and Thursday, 8 a.m. – noon, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
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Additional clinic locations:

Fourth Thursday of the month
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Boys & Girls Club/James Clubhouse
2530 E. Carey, North Las Vegas, 89030.

In addition, the health district will offer back-to-school immunizations at area malls: Sat., Aug. 13, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Meadows Mall, 4300 Meadows Lane; Sat., Aug. 20, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Boulevard Mall, 3528 S. Maryland Parkway; Sat., Aug. 27, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Galleria at Sunset, 1300 W. Sunset Road.

The Clark County School District requires the following vaccinations for students enrolling in public or private school: chickenpox (varicella); hepatitis A; hepatitis B; polio; tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis (Tdap); and measles-mumps-rubella (MMR). Parents who have recently moved to Nevada should note the chickenpox and hepatitis A vaccinations are not required in all states, so immunizations that were up-to-date in other states might not be current in Nevada. The health district also suggests a second dose of the chickenpox vaccine for school-age children as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Children entering the Clark County School District for the first time, no matter which grade they are entering, are now required to have a second dose of the chickenpox vaccine and a fourth dose of polio vaccine. If the fourth dose of polio vaccine is given BEFORE the child's fourth birthday, it is invalid for school admission.

Children entering seventh grade must be immunized against Bordetella pertussis. The health district provides the Tdap (tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis) vaccine to meet the mandate. College freshmen younger than 24 years old who will live in on-campus housing at a Nevada college or university are required to receive the Neisseria meningitidis (Meningococcus) vaccine.

The Southern Nevada Health District also offers immunizations for teens and adults, travelers' immunizations, flu shots, and a workplace vaccination program.

Updated information about the Southern Nevada Health District can be found on Facebook www.facebook.com/SouthernNevadaHealthDistrict, on YouTube www.youtube.com/SNHealthDistrict or Twitter : www.twitter.com/SNHInfo.