

MINNESOTA LAW REGARDING VACCINATIONS

121A.15 HEALTH STANDARDS; IMMUNIZATIONS; SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Subdivision 1.School and child care facility immunization requirements.

Except as provided in subdivisions 3, 4, and 10, no person over two months old may be allowed to enroll or remain enrolled in any elementary or secondary school or child care facility in this state until the person has submitted to the administrator or other person having general control and supervision of the school or child care facility, **one of the following statements:**

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Subd. 3.Exemptions from immunizations.

(a) If a person is at least seven years old and has not been immunized against pertussis, the person must not be required to be immunized against pertussis.

(b) If a person is at least 18 years old and has not completed a series of immunizations against poliomyelitis, the person must not be required to be immunized against poliomyelitis.

(c) If a statement, signed by a physician, is submitted to the administrator or other person having general control and supervision of the school or child care facility stating that an immunization is contraindicated for medical reasons or that laboratory confirmation of the presence of adequate immunity exists, the immunization specified in the statement need not be required.

(d) If a notarized statement signed by the minor child's parent or guardian or by the emancipated person is submitted to the administrator or other person having general control and supervision of the school or child care facility stating that the person has not been immunized as prescribed in subdivision 1 because of the conscientiously held beliefs of the parent or guardian of the minor child or of the emancipated person, the immunizations specified in the statement shall not be required. This statement must also be forwarded to the commissioner of the Department of Health.

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135A.14 STATEMENT OF IMMUNIZATION.

Subdivision 1.Definitions.

As used in this section, the following terms have the meanings given them.

(a) "Administrator" means the administrator of the institution or other person with general control and supervision of the institution.

(b) "Public or private postsecondary educational institution" or "institution" means any of the following institutions having an enrollment of more than 100 persons during any quarter, term, or semester during the preceding year: (1) the University of Minnesota; (2) the state universities; (3) the state community colleges; (4) public technical colleges; (5) private four-year, professional and graduate institutions; (6) private two-year colleges; and (7) schools subject to either sections [136A.61](#) to [136A.71](#), [136A.82](#) to [136A.834](#), or schools exempt under section [136A.657](#), and which offer educational programs within the state for an academic year greater than six consecutive months. An institution's report to the Minnesota Office of Higher Education or the Minnesota Department of Education may be considered when determining enrollment.

(c) "Student" means a person born after 1956 who did not graduate from a Minnesota high school in 1997 or later, and who is (1) registering for more than one class during a full academic term, such as a

quarter or a semester or (2) housed on campus and is registering for one or more classes. Student does not include persons who are only enrolled in extension classes, correspondence classes, online classes, or evening or weekend adult accelerated programs.

Subd. 2.Statement of immunization required.

Except as provided in subdivision 3, no student may remain enrolled in a public or private postsecondary educational institution unless the student has submitted to the administrator a statement that the student has received appropriate immunization against measles, rubella, and mumps after having attained the age of 12 months, and against diphtheria and tetanus within ten years of first registration at the institution. This statement must indicate the month and year of each immunization given. Instead of submitting a statement, a student may provide an immunization record maintained by a school according to section [121A.15, subdivision 7](#), or a school in another state if the required information is contained in the record. A student who has submitted a statement as provided in this subdivision may transfer to a different Minnesota institution without submitting another statement if the student's transcript or other official documentation indicates that the statement was submitted.

Subd. 3.Exemptions from immunization.

(a) An immunization listed in subdivision 2 is not required if the student submits to the administrator a statement signed by a physician that shows:

- (1) that, for medical reasons, the student did not receive an immunization;
- (2) that the student has experienced the natural disease against which the immunization protects; or
- (3) that a laboratory has confirmed the presence of adequate immunity.

(b) If the student submits a notarized statement that the student has not been immunized as required in subdivision 2 because of the student's conscientiously held beliefs, the immunizations described in subdivision 2 are not required. The institution shall forward this statement to the commissioner of health.

..... www.health.state.mn.us/people/immunize/basics/notary.html

The screenshot shows the Minnesota Department of Health website. The header includes the MDH logo and navigation links for HOME, TOPICS, and ABOUT US. A search bar is located in the top right. The main content area features a sidebar with navigation links under 'Me and My Family' and 'Immunization'. The central article is titled 'Get Your Non-Medical Exemption Form Notarized' and explains that Minnesota parents/guardians must submit a signed notarized statement to their child's school or child care facility. It lists three options for obtaining the form: using the MDH form, using a form from the child care/school/college, or making their own form. A note states that parents/guardians or students over 18 must sign the form in front of a notary. A link to 'Find a Notary' is provided. The right sidebar contains a 'Share This' button, a 'Spotlight' section for COVID-19 Vaccine and Hep A Outbreak Prevention, and a 'Frequently Requested' section for immunization materials and CDC vaccines. A 'Contact us' section provides information for questions or comments.