

New California School Immunization Law

READY FOR SCHOOL?

Starting January 1, 2016, a new state law (Senate Bill 277) states that parents/guardians of students in any school or child-care facility, whether public or private, will no longer be allowed to submit a personal beliefs exemption form for any currently required immunization.

If your child is starting preschool, transitional kindergarten/kindergarten, or 7th grade, you are encouraged to take these two important steps to avoid being excluded from school:

STEP 1: Check your child's immunization record. If your child does not meet the school immunization requirements, get your child vaccinated as soon as possible. Make an appointment with your child's regular health care provider. If you need assistance finding a health care Provider, call Berkeley Public Health at (510) 981-5300.

STEP 2: Provide your child's school with documentation that shows that your child has received all required immunizations **BEFORE** the first day of school.



Don't wait, vaccinate!

Make sure your child gets the required shots before school starts.



Do you need help with health care? Do you need care while you are pregnant? Please call Berkeley Public Health at 510-981-5300. We can help with programs for low and middle income families (Medi-cal, Covered California, CHDP, and WIC).

