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PROVIDER HEALTH NOTICE

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Follow Immunization Schedule to Keep Kids in School

Schools in San Luis Obispo County are reporting that children are being excluded from inperson learning because <u>required immunizations</u> are not fully met. The pandemic has interrupted vaccination schedules leaving unvaccinated or under-vaccinated children susceptible to preventable illness. As healthcare providers, please promote vaccination schedule adherence and ensure appropriate catch-up vaccination for children as directed by CDPH (Link here). Students who do not meet the state's required catch-up vaccination schedule will NOT be permitted conditional attendance at school. <u>Reminder and recall systems</u> should be implemented to identify patients who are due for or who have missed vaccine doses.

Please visit <u>ShotsforSchool.org</u> for TK-12 immunization requirements.

Update on COVID-19 Vaccine for Children

We expect a COVID-19 vaccine for children ages 5 to 11 to be available in the coming weeks under an Emergency Use Authorization, following the <u>FDA meeting</u> today and CDC <u>Advisory</u> <u>Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP)</u> meeting November 2-3.

COVID-19 vaccine may be administered at the same time as other immunizations and should not delay seasonal influenza vaccination, or any immunizations required for school attendance.

COVID-19 vaccine will be added to the 10 other vaccines required for California students to attend school. It goes into effect in the first semester, either January 1 or July 1, following the FDA's full approval of the Covid-19 vaccine for each age group.

More information:

ShotsforSchool.org for TK-12 immunization requirements

CDC.gov/vaccines/COVID-19

<u>CDC.gov/vaccines/COVID-19/provider-enrollment</u> to enroll as a COVID-19 vaccination provider