

# HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN ENTERING KINDERGARTEN

Entering school is a major milestone in your child's life. It is important for your child to be in good health for school. Services available through your local health department office are described below. Hearing, vision, and immunization appointments will be available at your local health department office. For an appointment, please call 547-0295 or 1-800-432-4121.

## IMMUNIZATIONS

Kindergarten students must show proof of having had the required childhood immunizations for Michigan school settings by the first day of school. Parents wishing to waive immunizations for religious or philosophical reasons must make an appointment at the local health department for waiver education. Students with true medical contraindications to immunizations must see their doctor to receive a *Medical Contraindication Waiver Form*. The Health Department provides FREE immunizations to children without health insurance and bills Medicaid Healthy Kids, MICHild, and several private insurances. Call for more information.

## HEARING AND VISION

Your child's ability to see and hear is very important to the learning process. **A vision test is required prior to school entry.** Appointments are available in each county for free vision and hearing screening. In cooperation with your local school district, hearing and vision testing is offered through your child's school years according to the following schedule:

*Vision: Preschool, grades K, 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9.*

*Hearing: Preschool, K, grades 2 and 4.*

## PHYSICAL EXAM

Your school may require a physical exam for school entry. You are encouraged to make an appointment with your family physician.

## DENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Children over the age of one year should see a dentist every 6 months. You are encouraged to make an appointment with your family dentist. If your child has Medicaid/Healthy Kids Dental (Delta Dental) or MICHild dental insurance, Health Department of Northwest Michigan - Dental Clinics North has dental clinics in Alpena, Cheboygan, East Jordan, Gaylord, Mancelona, Petoskey, Traverse City, and West Branch. Appointments are available by calling 1-877-321-7070.



## MEDICAID HEALTHY KIDS & MICHild

Healthy Kids provides free health insurance coverage for pregnant women and children ages 0 to 19. Coverage can include doctor visits, lab fees, prescriptions, hospital expenses and any other services normally covered by Medicaid. The income allowance for Healthy Kids is higher for pregnant women and infants up to their 1<sup>st</sup> birthday (\$3,998 per month for a family of 4; \$3,280 for a family of 4 with children ages 1 to 19).

MICHild is a health insurance program for uninsured children ages 0-19. A family's income must be considered and a family of 4 with a monthly income less than \$4,346 is eligible. Doctor visits, immunizations, prescriptions, dental, vision & hospital care are all covered. The cost is \$10.00 per child with a maximum of \$20 per family. If you have another insurance with high deductibles, you may still qualify for MICHild. For more information or an application, please call 1-800-432-4121.

## WIC

The WIC program is a special food and nutrition program for pregnant women, breastfeeding women, women who have had a baby in the last six months, infants, and children up to age five. All WIC clients, parents and their caregivers are offered nutrition education. Topics may include infant feeding, meal planning or making healthy food choices. Information about how children grow and develop, and how to access community resources is also available. WIC provides free foods such as: milk, yogurt, juice, cheese, eggs, cereal, peanut butter, fruits and vegetables, juice, tuna, infant formula, and infant cereal. A family of 4 with a monthly income less than \$3,793 may be eligible. For more information or an appointment, please call 1-800-432-4121.

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# CDC Recommended Childhood and Adolescent Immunization Schedule UNITED STATES, 2018

Range of recommended ages
  Catch-up immunization

Vaccine ▼	Age ▶	Birth	1 mo	2 mos	4 mos	6 mos	9 mos	12 mos	15 mos	18 mos	19-23 mos	2-3 years	4-6 years	7-10 years	11-12 years	13-15 years	16 years	17-18 years	
Hepatitis B	Hep B	HepB				HepB			HepB										
Rotavirus			RV	RV	RV														
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis			DTaP	DTaP	DTaP	DTaP			DTaP			DTaP							
Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis															Tdap	Tdap			
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b			Hib	Hib	Hib			Hib	Hib										
Inactivated Polio Virus			IPV	IPV	IPV			IPV			IPV	IPV							
Measles, Mumps, Rubella								MMR	MMR			MMR	MMR						
Varicella								Varicella	Varicella			Varicella	Varicella						
Meningococcal															MCV4		MCV4		
Meningococcal B																			
Pneumococcal			PCV	PCV	PCV			PCV	PCV				PCV						
Influenza						Annual Influenza 1 or 2 doses									Annual Influenza 1 dose only				
Hepatitis A								HepA Series (2 doses)			HepA Series (2 doses)								
Human Papillomavirus																	HPV	HPV	

Approved by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), and the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP).

**FOR AN APPOINTMENT AT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS,  
PLEASE CALL 1-800-432-4121**

- BELLAIRE** HEALTH DEPARTMENT – 209 Portage Dr.
- BOYNE CITY** BOYNE CITY EDUCATION CENTER – 321 S. Park St.
- CHARLEVOIX** HEALTH DEPARTMENT – 220 W. Garfield
- ELK RAPIDS** ELK RAPIDS TOWNSHIP HALL – 401 River St.
- GAYLORD** HEALTH DEPARTMENT – 95 Livingston Blvd.
- MANCELONA** FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER – 205 Grove St.
- PETOSKEY** HEALTH DEPARTMENT – 3434 M-119, Suite A