



# Washington State's New Chickenpox Vaccine Requirement for Grades 7 - 12

## Protecting teens against chickenpox is important.

The new vaccine requirement will start in fall 2015 for students in 7th and 8th grades. They will need two doses of the vaccine.

In fall 2016 all students in 9th through 12th grade will also be required to have two doses of the vaccine.

**Students who already had two doses of the vaccine do not need to repeat it.**

## The vaccine prevents chickenpox and its serious complications.

Teens are at higher risk of severe complications if they get chickenpox. The new requirement helps protect these young people.

Washington State has required only students in kindergarten through 6th grade to have two doses of chickenpox vaccine, until now. The new requirement is based on national recommendations from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices.

## Where Can I Learn More?

Talk to your school nurse, healthcare provider, or visit the Department of Health at: [www.doh.wa.gov/VaccineRequirements](http://www.doh.wa.gov/VaccineRequirements)



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**VACCINES REQUIRED FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE, GRADES K-12**  
**July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017**

VACCINE	Kindergarten - 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	6 <sup>th</sup> - 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	10 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade
<b>Hepatitis B</b>	3 doses Dose 3 must be given on or after 24 weeks of age		3 doses Dose 3 must be given on or after 4 months of age
<b>Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis (DTaP/DT/Td/Tdap)</b>	5 doses (4 doses only IF 4 <sup>th</sup> dose given on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday)  <i>Plus</i>  1 dose Tdap required for 6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade AND on or after 11 years of age (see page 2 for more details)		
<b>Polio (IPV or OPV)</b>	4 doses (3 doses only IF 3 <sup>rd</sup> dose given on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The final dose given on or after August 7, 2009, must be given on or after 4 years of age AND a minimum interval of 6 months from the previous dose.</li> </ul>	4 doses (3 doses only IF 3 <sup>rd</sup> dose given on or after 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday)	
<b>Measles, Mumps, and Rubella</b>		2 doses	
<b>Varicella</b>		2 doses OR Healthcare provider verified disease	

- Look at the Minimum Age and Interval Table on page 2 for recommended minimum age and spacing information.
- Review the Individual Vaccine Requirements Summary for more detailed information:  
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<b>Measles, Mumps, and Rubella</b>		<p><b>2 doses</b></p>	
<b>Varicella</b>		<p><b>2 doses</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OR</b></p> <p>Healthcare provider verifies disease</p>	<p><b>Recommended, but not required*</b></p>

\*In school year 2016-2017, students in 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade will be required to have 2 doses of varicella vaccine.

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