FAQ's – School Based Immunization Program

Who is eligible for the program? All students in 7th and 11th grades and any students needing required vaccines.

How much does it cost? This program is at no cost to the school, students, and/or families. Immunizations are available to all students regardless of insurance status. If a student is enrolled in Medicaid or has private insurance, insurance will be billed. No student or parent will receive a bill for this service.

Why is it offered? All students in grades K-12 are mandated to have state required immunizations before beginning Kindergarten. Additional vaccines are required at grades 8 and 12. This service is provided as a convenience for families and to help ensure all children are protected against vaccine preventable diseases. School requirements for the next school year can be found at here. Vaccine Information Statements (VIS) for each vaccine can be found here.

What vaccines will be offered? All required and recommended vaccines for your student’s age group will be offered. Parent will provide consent by checking the immunizations they want their student to receive and signing the form. A Tdap is required for all students entering 8th - 12th grades. Meningococcal is required for all students entering 8th, 9th, and 12th grades.

How long does it take per student? Approximately 10 minutes.

When will my school have a clinic? Each school will schedule clinics directly with the health center. Clinics will take place in the spring of each year. Some schools may schedule flu clinics in the fall.

How do I schedule my student? Forms will be sent home electronically approximately one month from the date of your school immunization clinic. Forms must be completed, signed, and returned to the school by the due date.

Where can I find consent forms? All forms related to the School Based Immunization Program will be linked on your school’s webpage, CCPHC’s webpage here, or you can call your school nurse.

Who is providing the immunizations? Clay County Public Health Center Immunization Program nurses provide the immunizations. On some occasions, UMKC Pharmacy students will be assisting and overseen by UMKC faculty. If you do not want a pharmacy student giving imms to your student, please send a note to the school nurse.

What if the forms are not completed and signed? The school will attempt to get this information from the parent.

Where can I get more information or answers to questions? Please contact your school nurse or Clay County Public Health Center at 816-595-4355.