

HEALTH FORM REQUIREMENTS

Dear Parents:

The Department of Public Welfare, our licensing agency, requires that all children enrolled in a child care center receive health screenings and immunizations. Child care centers are required to obtain from the parent a child health report showing compliance within 30 days of enrollment. Health assessments must be received and updated in accordance with the following schedule:

Infant: "The health report must be dated no more than 3 mos. prior to enrollment

(6wks–1yr) The health report must be updated every six months

YoungTod: "The health report must be dated no more than 6 mos .prior to enrollment

(1 year olds) The health report must be updated every six months

Older Tod: "The health report must be dated no more than 12 mo. prior to enrollment

(2 years old) The health report must be updated every 12 months

Preschooler: "The health report must be dated no more than 12 mo. prior to enrollment

(3 & 4 year old) The health report must be updated every 12 months

SchoolAger: "The health report must be dated no more than 12mo, prior to enrollment

(5-12 years of age) The health report must be updated every 12 months

The health report must be written and signed by a physician, physician's assistant or a CRNP. The signature must include the individual's professional title. The health report must contain the following information:

- A review of the child's health history
- A list of the child's allergies
- A list of the child's current medication and the reason for the medication
- An assessment of an acute or chronic health problem or special need and recommendations for treatment or services, including information regarding abnormal results of screening tests for vision, hearing or lead poisoning
- A review of the child's immunizations status according to recommendations of the Philadelphia Health Department
- A statement of the child's medical info pertinent to diagnosis and treatment in an emergency
- A statement that the child is able to participate in child care and appears to be free from contagion or comm.
 disease " A statement that age-appropriate screenings recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics were conducted since the time of the previous health report required by this section
- A list of the dates the child was administered immunizations in accordance with the recommendations of the ACIP. In accordance with DPW regulations COD may not allow a child who does not have a health report on file by the 60th day of enrollment to continue attending unless the parent provides written verification from a physician, physician's assistant, CRNP, the Dept. of Health or a local health department of the dates the child was administered immunizations in accordance with the recommendations of the Philadelphia Health Department. COD is required to implement dismissal policies in accordance with the Department of Health regulation 28 Pa. Code 27.77 relating to immunization requirements for children in child care group settings.