

Request for Certified Medical Exemption from Compulsory Immunization

Name of Primary Care Provider: _____

Please mark the contraindications/precautions that apply to this patient.

Write a brief explanation of the reason the child requires exemption. [**Required** - on second page]

Sign and **date** the form.

Attach a copy of the child's most current immunization record and supporting health care information.

Submit to the Bureau for Public Health, Immunization Officer.

Name of Patient _____ DOB _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Address (patient/parent) _____

School name and county _____

Medical contraindications for immunizations are based upon the most recent General Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), Public Health Services, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, published in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention publication, the Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr6002a1.htm?s_cid=rr6002a1_e).

A **contraindication** is a condition in a recipient that increases the risk for a serious vaccine adverse event (VAE) or compromises the ability of the vaccine to produce immunity. A **precaution** is a condition in a recipient that might increase the risk for a serious VAE or that might compromise the ability of the vaccine to produce immunity. Under normal conditions, vaccinations are deferred when a precaution is self-limiting, but can be administered if the precaution condition improves.

CDC Recognized Contraindications and Precautions

Vaccine	X	
Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (DTaP) Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Tdap) Tetanus, diphtheria (DT, Td)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Contraindications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Severe allergic reaction after a previous dose or to a vaccine component (see “reactions” below) ◆ Encephalopathy, not attributable to another identifiable cause, within seven days after receipt of previous dose of DTP or DTaP Precautions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ For DTaP and Tdap only: Progressive neurologic disorder, (including infantile spasms for DTaP), uncontrolled seizures, progressive encephalopathy: defer until a treatment regimen has been established and the condition has stabilized. ◆ Guillain-Barre syndrome within 6 weeks after a previous dose of tetanus toxoid containing vaccine. ◆ Moderate or severe acute illness with or without fever ◆ History of Arthus-type hypersensitivity reactions after a previous dose of diphtheria or tetanus-toxoid containing vaccine.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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Meningococcal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Contraindications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Severe allergic reaction after a previous dose or to a vaccine component (see “reactions” below) Precautions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Moderate or severe acute illness with or without fever
IPV Polio	<input type="checkbox"/>	Contraindications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Severe allergic reaction after a previous dose or to a vaccine component (see “reactions” below) Precautions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Pregnancy ◆ Moderate or severe acute illness with or without fever
	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Hep B	<input type="checkbox"/>	Contraindications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Severe allergic reaction after a previous dose or to a vaccine component (see “reactions” below) ◆ Hypersensitivity to yeast Precaution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Moderate or severe acute illness with or without fever
	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	

MMR	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	Contraindications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Severe allergic reaction after a previous dose or to a vaccine component (see “reactions” below) ◆ Pregnancy ◆ Known severe immunodeficiency (e.g., hematologic and solid tumors, chemotherapy, congenital immunodeficiency or long term immunosuppressive therapy) or severely symptomatic human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] infection) ◆ Family history of congenital or hereditary immunodeficiency in first-degree relatives (e.g., parents and siblings), unless the immune competence of the potential vaccine recipient has been substantiated clinically or verified by a lab test. Precautions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Recent (≤11 months) receipt of antibody-containing blood product (specific interval depends on product) ◆ History of thrombocytopenia or thrombocytopenic purpura ◆ Moderate or severe acute illness with or without fever
Varicella	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	Contraindications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Severe allergic reaction after a previous dose or to a vaccine component (see “reactions” below) ◆ Substantial suppression of cellular immunity ◆ Pregnancy ◆ Family history of congenital or hereditary immunodeficiency in first-degree relatives Precautions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Recent (≤11 months) receipt of antibody-containing blood product (specific interval depends on product) ◆ Moderate or severe acute illness with or without fever
Other Allergic Reactions/Other Type of Medical Contraindication	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	Other Contraindications, Precautions or Considerations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Vaccinations(s) and dose number(s) for which other serious VAE have occurred <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Description of adverse event: <hr/>

EXPLANATION of Exemption: _____

Attach most current immunization record	
Permanent or Temporary? _____	
If temporary, date of re-evaluation _____	
Physician's Name _____	
Address _____	
Phone _____ Fax _____	
Date: _____	Sign Below this line
I _____ certify that the physical condition of the above-named patient is such that the specified immunization(s) is contraindicated or there exists a specified precaution to a specified vaccine as indicated above.	

If the provider is unable to submit this form electronically through WVSIS, this form may be mailed to:

Immunization Officer
WV Bureau for Public Health
350 Capitol Street, Room 125
Charleston, WV 25301

Health care providers may contact the Division of Immunization Services at 1-800-642-3634 for consultation regarding contraindications, precautions and vaccine adverse effects.

West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources
Bureau for Public Health ● Division of Immunization Services

Immunization Officer Use Only: _____ Approve _____ Deny _____

Immunization Officer Signature: _____ **Date:** _____