

# Starting primary school?

## School entry immunisation status certificates

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## Your child must have a school entry immunisation status certificate

### What is a school entry immunisation status certificate?

- It is a current record of your child's immunisations.
- It is a legal requirement to provide a school entry immunisation status certificate on enrolment to primary school in Victoria.
- It will assist health authorities in protecting children in the event of a vaccine preventable disease occurrence in school. An unvaccinated child may be excluded from school for a period of time.
- Homeopathic immunisation is not a recognised form of immunisation and is not acceptable under the legislation, therefore cannot be listed on an immunisation status certificate.

### How do I obtain a school entry immunisation status certificate?

- School entry immunisation status certificates can be obtained from:
  - the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (ACIR)  
Telephone 1800 653 809  
Email [acir@medicareaustralia.gov.au](mailto:acir@medicareaustralia.gov.au)
  - visit your local Medicare Office or online at [www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/online](http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/online)
  - your GP
  - your local council immunisation service.

- You will automatically receive a history statement from ACIR after your child has completed the four-year-old vaccine. This history statement is used as the school entry immunisation status certificate.
- If your child has completed all immunisations but you have not received a history statement call ACIR on 1800 653 809 to find out why.
- If for some reason your child's immunisation records are incomplete or missing contact ACIR, your GP or local council immunisation service.
- If your child has never been vaccinated or was vaccinated overseas, then contact your GP or local council immunisation service who will be able to assist you in obtaining a school entry immunisation status certificate.

### Who do I give the school entry immunisation status certificate to?

- Once you have obtained your school entry immunisation status certificate you will need to give it to your child's primary school on enrolment.
- If you have lost the school entry immunisation status certificate issued by the ACIR ring 1800 653 809 to obtain another copy. Alternatively contact your GP or your local council immunisation service.
- It is important that the ACIR has your current address details to make sure you receive your school entry immunisation status certificate.
- If you are moving, or have recently moved, contact ACIR on 1800 653 809 or email [acir@medicareaustralia.gov.au](mailto:acir@medicareaustralia.gov.au) to update your contact details.

[www.health.vic.gov.au/immunisation](http://www.health.vic.gov.au/immunisation)

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# Acceptable School Entry Immunisation Status Certificates for Victorian Primary Schools

## Child History Statement from the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (ACIR)

immunisation

Immunisation History Statement					
For John Citizen Date of Birth 09/06/2000 Immunisation Status Up to Date		As at 14/07/2004			
Schedule	Immunisation	Date Given	Brand Name Given	Provider Type	
2 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Hepatitis B Hib Polio	04/06/2000	InfectiVegB PedvaxIB Polio Sabin (Oral)	Public Hospital	
4 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Hepatitis B Hib Polio	06/10/2000	InfectiVegB PedvaxIB Polio Sabin (Oral)	Health Centre	
6 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio	20/12/2000	Infanrix Polio Sabin (Oral)	GP	
12 months	Measles Mumps Rubella Hib Hepatitis B	12/06/2001	Prevax Comvax	GP	
18 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio	28/12/2001	Infanrix Polio Sabin (Oral)	Health Centre	
4 years	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Measles Mumps Rubella	09/07/2004	Tripaned Polio Sabin (Oral) MMRII	Health Centre	
Other	Meningococcal C	16/02/2004	Menjugate	GP	
Disease(s) to be covered					Date Due

**Must have this statement printed at bottom of certificate**

This child has received all vaccines required by 5 years of age.

Immunisation Status for Family Assistance Office: Up to date

This child has received all vaccines required by 5 years of age.

Where this statement is missing refer the parent / guardian to your local Council Immunisation service.

## School Entry Immunisation Status Certificate issued by Council

- Councils are required to issue a SEIC for children:
- Children with medical contraindications
  - Children whose parents are conscientious objectors
  - Children with an incomplete immunisation history
  - Children immunised overseas but have no documentation

Schedule 2

Health Act 1958  
Health (Immunisation) Regulations 1999—Regulation 7



### Immunisation Status Certificate

The information you provide on this school certificate is for the sole purpose of notifying Victorian primary schools of immunisation status. The information is confidential and identifying information will not be disclosed for any other purpose. You can access your information by contacting your immunisation provider.

Name of child: Surname.....

Given name(s).....

Address of child:..... / .....

Date of birth of child: .. / .. / ..

Telephone number of parent/guardian: ( .. ) .....

School:.....

Tick only one box-

#### Immunisation Completed

The above named child HAS BEEN immunised against ALL of the following diseases:  
 (i) Diphtheria (ii) Haemophilus influenzae Type B (iii) Measles, Mumps and Rubella (iv) Pertussis (Whooping Cough) (v) Polio (vi) Tetanus

#### Immunisation Not Complete

Documentation (medical declaration/statutory declaration/undertaking) has been sighted and the above named child HAS NOT BEEN IMMUNISED AGAINST:  
 (i) Diphtheria (ii) Haemophilus influenzae Type B (iii) Measles, Mumps and Rubella (iv) Pertussis (Whooping Cough) (v) Polio (vi) Tetanus

Person authorised by the Council:.....

Date .. / .. / ..

Topic(s) copied: School/Whole Council/Person authorised by the Council/ Gold Immunisation Status  
 NB: Immunisation is complete for the purpose of school entry. Further immunisation will be required by all (07983591)

This certificate will either be 'Immunisation Complete' or 'Immunisation Not Complete' depending on individual circumstances. Either scenario is acceptable for school entry immunisation certificates issued by Council.