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Beat the rush: Southern Nevada Health District offers back-to-school immunizations year-round

LAS VEGAS – Summer is an excellent opportunity to get school children caught up on immunizations at the Southern Nevada Health District. Immunizations are available Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at four public health centers. Parents must bring immunization records. Children with no immunization records will have to begin the immunization sequence from the beginning. Noncustodial adults may accompany a child, however, written consent must be provided to the health district from the parent or guardian at the time of service. An administrative fee of \$16 per patient for one immunization or \$20 per patient for two or more immunizations will be collected. Some vaccines might require an additional fee. For more information, contact the Southern Nevada Health District's immunization office at (702) 759-0850 or visit

www.SouthernNevadaHealthDistrict.org/nursing/clinic_locations.htm

The health district's public health centers are located:

- Ravenholt Public Health Center: 625 Shadow Lane, Las Vegas
- East Las Vegas Public Health Center: 560 N. Nellis Blvd., Ste. E-12, Las Vegas
- North Las Vegas Public Health Center: 1820 E. Lake Mead Blvd., Ste. F, North Las Vegas
- Henderson Public Health Center, 520 E. Lake Mead Parkway, Henderson

The Clark County School District requires the following vaccinations for students enrolling in public or private school: chickenpox (varicella); hepatitis A; hepatitis B; polio; diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (DTP); and measles, mumps, rubella (MMR). Parents who have recently moved to Nevada should note the chickenpox and hepatitis A vaccinations are not required in all states, so immunizations that were up-to-date in other states might not be current in Nevada. The health district also suggests a second dose of the chickenpox vaccine for school-age children as recommended earlier this year by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The Southern Nevada Health District will offer back-to-school immunizations between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. at its Shadow Lane location Monday Aug. 20 through Friday, Aug. 24 and Monday, Aug. 27 through Friday, Aug. 31. The health district's Shadow Lane location will also offer back-to-school immunizations between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, August 4, 11, 18 and 25.