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## Southern Nevada Health District offers back-to-school immunizations

Saturday clinics available in August

LAS VEGAS – The Southern Nevada health District offers back-to-school immunizations Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at its public health centers. The health district's Shadow Lane location will hold special immunization clinics between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 4, 11, 18 and 25; sports physicals will be available during the Saturday clinics for \$25. In addition, the health district's Shadow Lane public health center will remain open until 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 20 through Friday, Aug. 24 and Monday, Aug. 27 through Friday, Aug. 31. Other health district services will not be available during the Saturday clinics or after 4:30 p.m. For more information, contact the Southern Nevada Health District's immunization office at (702) 759-0850 or visit www.SouthernNevadaHealthDistrict.org.

Parents must bring immunization records. Children with no immunization records will have to begin the immunization sequence from the beginning. Non-custodial 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.

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
- Spring Valley Public Health Center, 6330 W. Spring Mountain Rd., Ste. C, Las Vegas (All services at Spring Valley, including immunizations, are available by appointment only. Call 759-0701)

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 health district will provide childhood immunizations at Back-to-School events: Meadows Mall, Saturday, Aug. 11, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Boulevard Mall, Saturday, Aug. 18, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Galleria Mall, Saturday, Aug. 25, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The administrative fees will be collected at the mall events.

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