

January 22, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians of all school-age children,

**Re: Please submit your child’s immunization record to Public Health.**

**We are missing important information about the immunization status of 35% of school-age children in Fraser Health region.** If your child’s immunization record is incomplete, we need you to send your child’s missing information to your local public health unit as soon as possible. *If your local public health unit or the Vaccine Status Indicator have shown that your child’s immunization records are already complete, you may disregard this letter.*

**How do I know if my child’s immunization record is complete?**

You can use the online Vaccine Status Indicator tool at <https://immunizebc.ca/vaccination-status-indicator> to check if your child’s immunization record is complete. If the Indicator shows that your child’s records are incomplete, this means either public health does not have all of your child’s records or your child may need additional immunizations.

**What do I need to do?**

Please submit your child’s missing records as soon as possible. Records can be submitted in-person to your local public health unit or online at [www.fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform](http://www.fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform). Helpful tips for finding your child’s immunization record are available here: <https://immunizebc.ca/tips-locating-immunization-records>.

If your child needs additional immunizations, please call your family doctor, a pharmacist, or public health to book an appointment. Visit [www.fraserhealth.ca/getimmunized](http://www.fraserhealth.ca/getimmunized) for a list of community vaccine providers. To book an appointment with public health call:

- 604-702-4906 (residents in Mission, Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Agassiz and Hope)
- 604-476-7087 (residents in all other areas of Fraser Health)

**Why am I being asked to send in my child’s immunization information?**

B.C.’s new Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation supports the gathering of immunization reports by Public Health. The regulation applies to all students in all schools within the Province’s jurisdiction, including those who are home-schooled. It does not apply to children attending schools in First Nations communities.

In the event of an outbreak at school, children who are unimmunized or have an incomplete immunization record may be asked to stay home until the outbreak is over. For more information, please visit <https://immunizebc.ca/vaccination-status-reporting-regulation>.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,



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