

WAC 246-100-166
Proposed Implementation for Varicella
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WAC 246-100-166 requires all children to show proof of immunity from varicella disease prior to school or licensed child care entrance. The following plan outlines the implementation process for varicella.

Child Care/Preschool Entry

As of July 1, 2008, children 16 months of age up to Kindergarten entry attending licensed child care or preschools must show the following documentation on their Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS) form:

- Indication, including date, of the first dose of varicella vaccine administered on or after the child's first birthday; or
- Documentation of serologic proof of immunity against varicella.
 - Document must contain titer results of a blood test and the date the test was given; or
- Exemption from immunity based on a medical, religious, or personal reason.

School-age children enrolled in before and after-school child care must meet the immunization requirements for their grade in school.

School Entry: July 1, 2006 through July 1, 2008

All children who attended Kindergarten or 6th grade between July 1, 2006 and July 1, 2008 (06-07 and 07-08 school years) must show the following documentation on their Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS) form:

- Indication, including date, of the first dose of varicella vaccine administered on or after the child's first birthday; or
- Parental documentation of history of disease with approximate age of when the child acquired immunity (if parent is unsure, refer child to immunization); or
- Documentation of serologic proof of immunity against varicella
 - Document must contain titer results of a blood test and the date the test was given; or
- Exemption from immunity based on medical, religious or personal reasons.

School Entry: after July 1, 2008

All children attending Kindergarten after July 1, 2008, must show the following documentation on their Certificate of Immunization Statue (CIS) form:

- Indication of two doses of varicella vaccine both administered on or after the child's first birthday and at least 28 days apart with the date each vaccination; or
- Documentation of serologic proof of immunity against varicella.
 - Document must contain titer results of a blood test and the date the test was given; or
- Exemption from immunity based on a medical, religious, or personal reasons

Incremental Implementation

For those children who attended kindergarten or 6th grade between July 1, 2006 and July 1, 2008, the one dose requirement of varicella will continue to expand from 1st **through** 6th grade.

For those children attending kindergarten beginning July 1, 2008, the two dose requirement of varicella will continue to expand from kindergarten through 12th grade.

The following table illustrates the incremental progress for varicella implementation.

School Year	Grades	
	2 dose requirement	1 dose requirement
2008-2009	K	1, 2, & 6
2009-2010	K & 1	2, 3, & 6
2010-2011	K, 1, & 2	3, 4, & 6
2011-2012	K, 1, 2, & 3	4, 5, & 6
2012-2013	K, 1, 2, 3, & 4	5 & 6
2013-2014	K, 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5	6
2014-2015	K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6	
2015-2016	K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, & 7	
2016-2017	K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8	
2017-2018	K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, & 9	
2018-2019	K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10	
2019-2020	K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11	
2020-2021	K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 & 12	

The department encourages schools, within existing resources, to include children in older age groups and grades beyond those identified in this implementation plan.

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