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Meeting Notice

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Board discusses reportable conditions, immunization rules

Wednesday, October 13, 2010, 1-4 p.m., Town Center 2, 101 Israel Road S.W., Tumwater, Washington

At its October 13 meeting, the State Board of Health will be briefed on possible changes to two of its rules — notifiable conditions and immunization requirements for child care and school entry.

The goal of the proposed changes to the notifiable conditions rule is to address new Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists guidelines, scientific advances in data collection and laboratory techniques, and emergence of new conditions.

The proposed changes to the immunization rule would bring it into alignment with the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices annual recommendations. The only significant update pertains to the dose and age intervals for the inactivated poliovirus vaccine.

The briefings are intended to prepare the Board for November hearings on the proposed revisions. The board will also receive a presentation on the Healthy Communities Washington program.

The meeting is open and the public is invited to provide testimony on any public health issue at 3:15 p.m. Copies of the agenda and related materials are available by contacting the board at 360-236-4100 or on the [Board of Health Web site \(www.sboh.wa.gov\)](http://www.sboh.wa.gov). The emergency and media contact number for the board during the meeting is 360-701-2398.

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