



December 8, 2014

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) recommends all children receive a series of vaccinations in order to stay protected against many serious illnesses. By age 2, all children should receive four doses of diphtheria, tetanus and acellular pertussis (DTaP), three doses of hepatitis B, one dose of measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), two or three doses of *haemophilus influenzae type B* (Hib), three doses of polio, one dose of varicella (chickenpox), four doses pneumococcal conjugate (PCV13) and two doses of Hepatitis A vaccines. According to the North Dakota Immunization Information System, [CHILD'S NAME] still needs one or more of their infant immunizations. The table below lists the vaccine(s) that are past due for your child. Please contact your child's doctor's office or local public health unit to make an appointment for your child to be vaccinated.

Vaccine(s) Recommended

While at your child's doctor's office or local public health unit, please also get your child immunized against influenza. Some children will need two doses of influenza vaccine to be protected if it is their first year of vaccination. Each year in the United States, approximately 20,000 children under age 5 are hospitalized because of influenza complications.

Please be sure to get a copy of your child's immunization record to keep for your records.

If you received this letter in error or would like to opt out of receiving immunization reminders from the NDDoH, please complete an online form at www.ndhealth.gov/Immunize/Reminder/Default.aspx.

If you have any questions, please contact the NDDoH Immunization Program at 701.328.3386 or 800.472.2180.

Sincerely,

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