

Dear Parent / Legal Guardian:

Onslow County Health Department (OCHD) is hosting one (1) Saturday Clinic in September 2020 to provide the North Carolina State required school vaccines per N.C. Immunization Law 10A NCAC 41A.040 bringing down barriers to your child's access to these vaccines for the school year 2020-2021.

Our efforts to offer **Saturday Back to School Immunization Clinics** at the Health Department is to help increase vaccine compliance rates and decrease lost school and work time.

- All vaccines will be entered into the North Carolina Immunization Registry (NCIR). A copy can be requested at OCHD, your child's school, and at most pediatricians' offices.
 - **Is your child 18 years old or younger and uninsured?** Any or all vaccines can be provided free of charge under N.C. State regulations.
 - **Is your child 19 or older?** Must be covered by either Medicaid or private insurance to receive vaccines.

The following vaccines will be offered to each child:

FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS: (entering the 7th grade during school year 2020-2021)

1. Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, And Acellular Pertussis) (**Required**).
2. Menactra (meningococcal) (**Required**): Child must be 11 years old or older to receive this vaccine.
3. HPV (Human Papillomavirus) (**Recommended**): A two-dose cancer preventing vaccine!
4. Flu (**Recommended**). A single dose per flu season.

FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: (New to N.C., not up-to-date, or plan to attend college requirements)

1. Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Acellular Pertussis): within 10 years of entering college.
 2. Menactra (meningococcal) (**Required**): If child is 16 years old or older and has:
 - Received one dose before age 16: a 2ND (BOOSTER) dose now.
 - Never received a dose: one initial / final dose now.
 3. HPV (Human Papillomavirus) (**Recommended**): A two or three-dose, depending on age of first dose, cancer preventing vaccine!
 4. Flu (**Recommended**). A single dose per flu season.
- Appointments are **REQUIRED**, if you are interested in having your child(ren) vaccinated at one of OCHD's **Saturday Back to School Immunization Clinics**, 612 College St., Jacksonville, NC, September 26, 2020, 10 am – 2:00 pm.
 - To schedule an appointment for one of the Saturday Clinics, call **1-910-347-2154, extension 8810**.
 - It is our goal to answer your call immediately, however, if you must leave a message, please speak clearly with your call back information (your name and telephone number). Please repeat the information.

Saturday Back to School Immunization Clinics Form Completion

- The consent form can be found on the Immunization webpage at: <http://www.onslowcountync.gov/health>. To ensure legible and accurate information is captured on the form, it is recommended you complete the electronic version, print, sign and bring it to your appointment time.
- We need the parent / legal guardian to complete the consent form, **not** your child.
- Parent / legal guardian please:
 - for **each** child complete sections, A–F of the consent form,
 - sign the consent form in sections C and F,

- bring the completed form (both sides) to your child(ren)'s Saturday appointment.
 - a copy of your child(ren)'s shot record:
 - Fax to ATTN: Immunization Tracker, at 910-347-4246, or submit online to this **secure** email address: OCHD-vaccine@onslowcountync.gov
 - If you are unable to fax or email a copy of shot record, please bring a copy with you to your child(ren)'s Saturday appointment.
- Check the box(es) on the consent form section C next to the vaccination(s) you would like your child to receive.

Medical Health Insurance Coverage

If you are not sure whether your insurance plan covers these immunizations, whether your insurance plan's premium is paid or whether your insurance plan will pay OCHD, please contact your insurance plan before presenting for the Saturday appointment to avoid your out-of-pocket responsibility. Note: See the enclosed listing of insurance plans with which OCHD is in-network.

No Medical Insurance Coverage or Medicaid

If your child has no health insurance coverage or Medicaid and is 18 years of age or younger these vaccines are covered by the Vaccines for Children (VFC) immunization program and are provided free of charge to you.

Presenting for the Saturday Immunization Appointment

- You will enter the building at the entrance near the flagpoles.
- In efforts to protect patients and staff, OCHD will be screening **EVERYONE** that enters the building.
- We are limiting the number of people that are allowed in the building.
- Only the child(ren) getting vaccinations and 1 adult will be allowed in the building.

Masks are **required** for all over the age of 2 years of age present for appointment.

Screening Questions

1. Have you had a fever of 100.4 in the last three days?
2. Have you had close contact with a person known to have COVID-19?
3. In the past two weeks, have you had a fever, cough, or been short of breath?

If you answer YES to any of the screening questions above, do **NOT** come to the Health Department, call Onslow Memorial Hospital's (OMH) Respiratory Diagnostic Center (RDC) Tent Triage Line at: 1-888-850-2684, or Private Medical Provider of your choice for testing.

Additional Questions?

If you are unable to take advantage of this September 26, 2020 **Saturday Back to School Immunization**, opportunity, please contact us Monday – Friday, at 910-347-2154, option #2 to schedule an appointment for your immunization needs.

You may contact the Immunization Nurse at the Onslow County Health Department, 910-989-3992, with any questions or concerns.

We look forward to this opportunity to help keep your child safe, healthy and up-to-date on his/her immunizations.

Onslow County Health Department Immunizations Staff