

Student vaccinations available in EDC

The El Dorado County Health and Human Services Agency is offering back-to-school immunizations for children beginning school this fall.

Public health can provide all childhood vaccinations required for school entry, as well as other vaccinations recommended to keep children healthy.

Kindergartners need a total of five DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis), four polio, three hepatitis B, two MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) and one varicella (chickenpox) shot. Students entering seventh grade need to show proof of the Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) vaccine before starting school.

Parents who do not have a health care provider or are unable to access their provider and wish to have their child vaccinated through a scheduled appointment at public health may call 530.621.6100 in Placerville or 530.573.3155 in South Lake Tahoe. Vaccinations are charged at cost for those who have private insurance. Children on Medi-Cal, or who are uninsured, are eligible for low-cost immunization services. A \$10 administration fee is charged per shot, though no child on Medi-Cal or who is uninsured will be refused a vaccination due to inability to pay.