Date: October 21, 2022

Topic: Reminder to submit mandatory immunization reporting surveys per Nevada Revised Statute

To: Nevada Public, Private, and Charter School Chief School Nurses, Officials, & Administrators; Child Care Facility Directors & Officials; and Accommodation Care Facility Directors & Officials

Over the last few years, many children and adolescents fell behind on routine vaccines and wellness visits. According to CDC’s April 2022 Morbidity and Mortality News Synopsis, national vaccination coverage dropped from 95% to below 94% for the 2020–2021 school year. This means an additional 35,000 children across the U.S. entered kindergarten without proper vaccine documentation and protection against infectious diseases, such as measles and polio. Routine, influenza, COVID-19, and other CDC recommended vaccines are safe, effective, and continue to prevent against diseases that once killed or harmed many infants, children, and adults. It is important for all individuals to be up-to-date on their routine, COVID-19, and flu vaccinations.

Per Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 392.435, 394.192, 432A.230, and 432A.235, each public, private, and charter school, child care facility, and accommodation facility must submit immunization information to the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health every year. The Nevada State Immunization Program (NSIP) requests that schools and facilities submit their 2022-2023 mandatory immunization reporting surveys by Saturday, December 31st, 2022. The reporting surveys are available on the Immunize Nevada website at https://www.immunizenevada.org/submit-rates, along with resources and instruction packets.

Immunization requirements and COVID-19 resources are available to provide equitable access to vaccinations:

- Connect with local health care providers, pharmacies, community/public health nurses, or county health districts for access to vaccines or https://www.vaccines.gov/ for COVID-19 and flu vaccines.
- https://dpbh.nv.gov/Programs/Immunization/School_and_Childcare/School_and_Child_Care_Immunizations/ for Nevada school/child care facility immunizations resources and links to Technical Bulletins.
- https://www.nvcovidfighter.org/ for English and Spanish COVID-19 resources, including a chat option.
- Call the Nevada Statewide COVID-19 Contact Center in English or Spanish at 1 (800) 401-0946.
- https://dpbh.nv.gov/Reg/HealthFacilities/dta/Lists/Listservs/ for Nevada child care listserv email list.

Please e-mail nviz@health.nv.gov with questions on Nevada’s school, child care, or accommodation facility vaccination requirements.