

IMMUNISATION POLICY

All families must include one or more of the following documents to complete their child's enrolment. Commencement at preschool (or any early education and care service) is dependent on the provision of one or more of these forms. This requirement is in line with current government regulations.

1. A current A.I.R (Australian Immunisation Register)-**Immunsation History Statement**, which shows that your child is up to date with their scheduled immunisations or can't be immunized for medical reasons.
2. A current A.I.R **Immunisation History Form** on which the immunization provider has certified that your child is on a recognized catch up scheme.

Other records, such as the NSW Personal Health Record (Blue Book), a GP letter or an overseas immunization record is not acceptable.

Immunisation information provided to early childhood settings needs to be current. Records of any additional immunisations a child has during the time they are enrolled must be provided to preschool. These records should be in the form of an Immunisation History Statement. (These may include chicken pox, meningococcal or the compulsory 4 year immunisation -DTPa, MMR and Polio). Please provide us the document via email, or alternatively we are happy to photocopy the original document for parents here at Highland Grove.

Information concerning the current vaccine register required for infants and children and the local vaccination clinics will be available for families on display in our foyer.

In the event of an outbreak of a notifiable disease (one that is part of the vaccine register) the centre is required to contact our closest Public Health Unit, which is Central Coast Public Health Unit on 43209730 and notify families.

Information about current and relevant immunisation available for child care professionals is provided to the staff and discussed at staff meetings. Individual records of staff immunisations are kept in each staff members file.

For more information about immunization, families should contact Centrelink at www.humanservices.gov.au

Source; Childcare and preschool entry and immunization-Parent Information handout. (NSW Government, November 2017)
"Staying Healthy in Childcare" -5th Edition

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