

Interested in gaining access to the School and Child Care Immunization Module? Talk to your school administrators about getting onboard. We have outlined some key talking points to help you discuss the School and Child Care Immunization Module and its benefits with your administrators.

If you need additional assistance or have any questions please check out our website www.doh.wa.gov/schoolmodule or email us at schoolmodule@doh.wa.gov.

Immunization Information System (IIS) and School and Child Care Immunization Module

- The IIS is a statewide system used by most health care providers to record vaccines administered to their patients – it already has most of the immunization records for your students!
- The School and Child Care Immunization Module is a portal to the IIS that allows schools to track and manage student and school-level immunization information instead of using a Student Information System.
- The School and Child Care Immunization Module meets all the state immunization reporting requirements for schools and child cares. No additional electronic record keeping is required.
- An IIS Information Sharing Agreement requires an administrator (superintendent or head of school) and licensed health care provider (ex: school nurse) signatures.

Benefits to schools for using the IIS School and Child Care Immunization Module

- The School and Child Care Immunization Module saves money and staff time by:
 - Eliminating the need to enter student immunization dates in the Student Information System.
 - Reducing the need for manual review of student records and duplicate data entry.
 - Providing tools to determine immunization compliance and communicate with parents.
 - Eliminating the need for school IT staff and nursing time to program immunization algorithms.
 - Eliminating the need to submit the required annual report.
- The IIS provides students with a lifetime record they can access wherever they go.
- Using the School and Child Care Immunization Module will reduce the number of unnecessary immunizations and supports healthy, fully vaccinated students.
- Using the School and Child Care Immunization Module can help schools quickly and accurately identify vulnerable students in the event of a disease outbreak.

FERPA & HIPAA Considerations

- Student directories
 - Districts will need to send student directory information to DOH. Healthcare providers cannot see student or school-specific information.
- Entering missing immunizations into the IIS
 - Parent consent must be obtained before school nurses can enter missing immunizations into the IIS. Only medical immunization records can be entered.
 - Schools can collect parent consent signatures on the Certificate of Immunization Status or another form to allow for missing immunizations to be entered in the School and Child Care Immunization Module.

