



Department of Regulatory Agencies

**Division of Insurance**

## **Bulletin No. B-4.24**

### **Immunizations**

#### **I. Background and Purpose**

The purpose of this bulletin is to clarify the immunization benefits required to be provided to covered persons by Colorado insurance law and as required by Section 2173 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010.

Bulletins are the Division's interpretations of existing insurance law or general statements of Division policy. Bulletins themselves establish neither binding norms nor finally determine issues or rights.

#### **II. Applicability and Scope**

This bulletin is intended for all regulated entities that issue individual and group sickness and accident insurance policies, except supplemental policies covering a specified disease or other limited benefit, issued by an entity subject to Part 2 of Article 16 of Title 10, Colorado Revised Statutes, and all individual and group health care service or indemnity contracts issued by an entity subject to Part 3 or 4 of Article 16 of Title 10, Colorado Revised Statutes.

#### **III. Division Position**

Existing Colorado insurance law requires carriers to provide coverage for childhood immunizations, influenza vaccinations, and pneumococcal vaccinations. Federal regulations require that where there is a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the immunizations for routine use in children, adolescents and adults be provided without cost-sharing requirements. The recommended childhood immunization schedule, the recommended immunization schedule for children who start late or who are more than one month behind, the recommended immunization schedule for adolescents, and the recommended immunization schedule for adults is published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. These schedules can be accessed one of the following websites:

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/)  
[www.hhs.gov/](http://www.hhs.gov/)

Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices  
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

#### **IV. Additional Division Resources**

##### **A. For More Information**

Colorado Division of Insurance  
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1560 Broadway, Suite 850  
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303-894-7490  
[www.dora.state.co.us/insurance](http://www.dora.state.co.us/insurance)



B. Related DOI Regulations

Colorado Division of Insurance Regulation 4-6-5

V. **History**

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