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## Now Is the Time for Back-to-School Immunizations

**Brevard, FL**–School starts August 12 and the Florida Department of Health in Brevard County (DOH-Brevard) is encouraging parents to have their children immunized now to avoid the back-to-school immunization rush.

ATTENTION PARENTS: New and transferring students, Kindergarten students, and those entering seventh grade will need to provide proof of immunizations prior to enrollment. Returning students should have already completed the required shot series. Parents are encouraged to review all records.

If your child is due for any immunizations, please visit their health care provider to make sure they are ready for the upcoming school year. DOH-Brevard also provides immunizations at no cost for eligible children, birth – 18 years of age, provided they are still enrolled in elementary, middle or high school. Walk-in immunization services (no appointment required) are available at clinics in Melbourne, Viera and Titusville from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Each child must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian, and **please remember to bring your** child's current immunization history, a valid state-issued photo ID, and any applicable insurance cards.

Parents are reminded to bring a copy of immunization records to help identify any needed shots and prevent the immunization nurse from beginning the entire series again. If available, please bring your child's social security card.

If you have Health Care District, Medicaid, or other insurance, please bring the card with you. Please bring a snack for your child to eat as waiting times vary.

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