



Immunization registries are confidential, computerized information systems that provide a single source of immunization records for children. Information is entered at birth through a linkage with electronic birth records or at first contact with the health care system.



Ohio's Immunization Registry

Questions or concerns contact:

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A Link to Better Health

What is **IMPACT SIIS**?

Every year, more than 151,000 children are born in Ohio. Each of these children require 18-22 immunizations (also called shots or vaccinations) by the age of 6 to protect them from serious, but preventable, diseases. Teens and adults need immunizations, too. With all of these required immunizations, it can be hard to remember when and what your child is due for the next round.

That's where **IMPACT SIIS**, Ohio's Statewide Immunization Information System, can help. Information is entered into **IMPACT SIIS** at birth or at first contact with your child's health care provider. Then each time your child receives an immunization it is entered into the system helping to ensure correct and timely immunizations for your children.

Best of all, the registry provides a centralized place to maintain your child's immunization records that are required for day-care, school, college and even the workplace. Because **IMPACT SIIS** is statewide, any Ohio doctor or clinic you take your child to will know what immunizations your child needs.

Your participation is important

Your child's doctor, clinic and health department wants to partner with you. **IMPACT SIIS** can help make sure your child receives the right immunizations in a timely manner to help ensure a healthy childhood. **IMPACT SIIS** ensures that your child and all Ohio children are properly immunized.

As your partners, we will use the registry to contact you with friendly pre-appointment reminders, missed visit notices, and telephone calls to help make sure your child receives the right immunizations on time. When you need an immunization record for entry into day care, school, college or the workplace call your doctor or clinic and they can get a copy of the record from **IMPACT SIIS** to you fast.

Secure and Confidential

Every medical provider and public health agency that uses the registry has signed a legally binding security agreement to protect the information in **IMPACT SIIS** from being misused or from unauthorized release.



Why should I place my child in a registry?

IMPACT SIIS benefits you, your child, your doctor, and your community by maintaining all immunization records in a safe, central location. This improves accuracy and helps to avoid misplaced records. **IMPACT SIIS** improves and maintains high immunization rates and assists Ohio in the prevention of disease outbreaks.

NOTE:

Your medical providers will enter your child's immunization records and related information into **IMPACT SIIS** unless you tell them not to. Your participation in **IMPACT SIIS** is encouraged but not required. If you don't want your child included in **IMPACT SIIS**, tell your doctor, clinic or health department. They will provide you with a form to remove your child.