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Ready for School? Check those Vaccine Records!

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Getting vaccinated according to the recommended immunization schedule is one of the most important things a parent can do to protect their child's health. Diseases can quickly spread among groups of children who aren't vaccinated.

Child care facilities, preschool programs, schools, and colleges are prone to outbreaks of infectious diseases. Children in these settings can easily spread illnesses to one another due to poor hand washing, not covering their coughs, and other factors such as interacting in crowded environments.

When children are not vaccinated, they are at increased risk for disease and can spread disease to those who are too young to be fully vaccinated and people with weakened immune systems.

Additionally, California is now requiring children who are entering child care or school to be vaccinated against certain diseases. Parents should check with their child's doctor, school, or the local health department to learn about California's requirements for entry into school. If you have questions about child immunizations, contact Inyo County Health and Human Services- Public Health & Prevention Division at 760-873-7868.