



## What is Child Profile?



The Washington State Department of Health sends child health and safety information to all families with young children by mail and email through the Child Profile Health Promotion System.

Each mailing has age-specific reminders about well-child checkups and immunizations. They also give up-to-date information on growth and development, nutrition, safety, and many other health topics. Mailings are free and sent every few months until your child turns six.

You automatically get Child Profile materials by regular mail. If you would like to get the information by email or both email and regular mail, go to [www.doh.wa.gov/ChildProfileSignUp](http://www.doh.wa.gov/ChildProfileSignUp).



Child Profile materials are created and updated each year by health and safety experts with input and feedback from parents. When surveyed, parents say the mailings provide useful and timely information to help them take care of their child. Go to [www.childprofile.org](http://www.childprofile.org) for more information.

### Who endorses the materials?

Child Profile materials are endorsed by the:

- Washington Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics.
- Washington Academy of Family Physicians.
- University of Washington School of Public Health and Community Medicine, Maternal Child Health Program.



## What is the Washington State Immunization Information System?

### WASHINGTON STATE IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION SYSTEM

The Washington State Immunization Information System is our state's lifetime immunization registry.

It helps healthcare providers keep track of immunization records for children, teens, and adults. Doctors, clinics, pharmacies, and health plans enter the vaccines their patients get into the system. Most doctors and clinics in Washington State participate in the system. They can use it to:

- Keep immunization records up-to-date. This information may be needed for school, child care, camp, college, the military, and long-term care facilities. Some employers also need a copy of immunization records.
- Learn which vaccines patients need at each visit. This helps make sure they are up-to-date and will not get doses of vaccine that are not needed.
- Keep all immunization records in one place. This is helpful if you or your child change clinics or doctors.
- Print a current immunization record.

### How can you get immunization information from the system?

You can get a copy of your and/or your child's immunization record from your family's doctor or clinic.

You can also request a copy from the Department of Health by filling out an Authorization to Release Immunization Records. Download and print the form online at [www.doh.wa.gov/immsrecords](http://www.doh.wa.gov/immsrecords).

### All records are protected.

Immunization records can only be viewed or used after signed agreement with the Department of Health by:

- A doctor, nurse, clinic, or pharmacy that provides care to you or your child.
- School staff to help get the immunization information needed for school attendance.
- Health officials or approved researchers for efforts to improve the health of Washington residents.

You have the right to review your and your child's records, ask questions, and make corrections. Talk with your doctor or clinic if you have any questions.

*Working together to help keep your child healthy and safe.*