#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

# Specifications for Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR) and Varicella Vaccines

#### Measles, mumps, and rubella vaccines

The routine childhood series calls for two doses of MMR vaccine.

#### Scheduling of doses for medically acceptable standards

- MMR dose one given at age 12-15 months.
  - Minimum age for dose one is 12 months.
- MMR dose two given at age 4-6 years.
  - Minimum interval between first and second doses is 4 weeks.

#### Practical implementation for kindergarten through grade 12

• Kindergarten through grade 12: Two doses

#### Any of the following vaccines count as valid:

MIIC vaccine ID	Generic name	Trade name	CPT code	CVX code
46	MMR	Priorix	90707	03
46	MMR	MMR II	90707	03
44	Measles-Rubella	Measles-Rubella (MERU)	90708	04
44	Measles-Rubella	M-R-VAX	90708	04
49	Rubella-Mumps	Mumps-Rubella (MURU)	90709	38
49	Rubella-Mumps	Biavax II	90709	38
50	MMRV	Proquad	90710	94

## Varicella vaccines

The routine childhood series calls for two doses of varicella vaccine.

#### Scheduling of doses for medically acceptable standards

- Varicella dose one given at age 12-15 months.
- Minimum age for dose one is 12 months.
- Varicella dose two given at age 4-6 years.
- Minimum interval between first and second doses is 4 weeks.

#### Practical implementation for kindergarten through grade 12

Kindergarten through grade 12: Two doses

#### Any of the following vaccines count as valid:

MIIC vaccine ID	Generic name	Trade name	CPT code	CVX code
50	MMRV	Proquad	90710	94
68	Varicella	Varivax	90716	21

## Four-day grace period

CDC allows for a four-day grace period for all minimum ages and intervals. Doses that are given within the four days prior to a minimum age or interval can still be counted as valid doses. For example, if a person receives their first dose of MMR four days before their first birthday, the dose can still be counted as valid. For more information refer to <u>CDC: Timing and Spacing of Immunobiologics</u> (www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/timing.html).

## Live virus vaccine considerations

MMR, Varicella, and other live-virus vaccines (live influenza FluMist<sup>®</sup>) can be given on the same day but otherwise must be separated by 28 days; if given before 28 days, the later dose is invalid. The four-day grace period does not apply for the interval between two live virus vaccines.

## References

- <u>CDC: Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule by Age</u> (www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/child-adolescent.html).
- 2. <u>CDC: Timing and Spacing of Immunobiologics (www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/timing.html)</u>.
- 3. <u>CDC: Recommended Catch-up Immunization Schedule for Children and Adolescents Who Start Late</u> or Who Are More than 1 Month Behind (www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/catchup.html).

Minnesota Department of Health Immunization Program PO Box 64975 St. Paul, MN 55164-0975 651-201-5503 <u>health.aisr@state.mn.us</u> www.health.state.mn.us/immunize

05/06/2024

To obtain this information in a different format, call: 651-201-5414.