

How to Find a Copy of Your Child's Immunization Record

1. Check with *all* your child's previous health care providers. Don't forget visits to your local county health department or Indian Health Service or tribal clinic.
2. Look through your old papers--sometimes immunization records are tucked away in a baby book, or included on school or camp medical history forms.
3. Call you local county health department and ask the health department to check OSIIS. OSIIS is the Oklahoma State Immunization Information System, which is a centralized immunization registry that keeps electronic records of vaccines given by health care providers who use the registry. OSIIS was started in 1994 so it does not have the records of all Oklahoma children. Also, some doctors and clinics do not use OSIIS so children and adults who received vaccines at those clinics will not have records in OSIIS. If your child received vaccines in another state you can check that state immunization website for information on the state immunization registry.
4. Check with any childcare centers or schools your child has attended to see if they a copy of your child's record.
5. Adolescents might have received certain vaccines (such as hepatitis B or hepatitis A vaccines) at school but county health department personnel may have administered the vaccines, so the county health department may have the record.

When you do find a record make several copies of it and keep them in a safe place.

If you cannot locate your child's personal record or the record from your doctor, it may be necessary to repeat some of the vaccines or arrange for blood tests to document immunity to a particular disease, although this may cost more than re-vaccinating. County health departments in Oklahoma do not provide blood testing to determine immunity, but some private clinics and laboratories do offer this service. Check with a private doctor or laboratory.

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