NEW IMMUNIZATION LAW BASICS – SENATE BILL (SB) 277 JANUARY 1, 2016

Personal Beliefs Exemptions:

Personal belief exemptions filed at a school or child care facility before January 1, 2016 will remain valid until the student enrolls in the next grade span, typically at Transitional Kindergarten, Kindergarten or 7th grade.

The law defines these grade spans as follows:

- Birth to preschool
- Kindergarten and grades 1 to 6, inclusive, including Transitional Kindergarten
- Grades 7 to 12, inclusive.

Personal belief exemptions from another state or country are not valid.

Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten Entry:

All Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten students enrolling in IUSD must be fully immunized to attend school.

Personal beliefs will no longer be an option for exemption to immunizations. No distinction is made between exemptions based on religious beliefs and other personal beliefs.

Medical exemptions may be obtained from a licensed Medical Doctor (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) for children with a permanent or temporary physical or medical circumstance that rules out one or more vaccines.

Medical exemptions must include:

- Physical condition or medical circumstances
- Which vaccines are being exempted
- Whether medical exemption is temporary or permanent
- The expiration date if the exemption is temporary
- Doctor's signature, physician/office stamp and date

7th Grade Entry:

All 7th grade students enrolling in IUSD must be fully immunized to attend school.

Personal beliefs will no longer be an option for exemption to immunizations. No distinction is made between exemptions based on religious beliefs and other personal beliefs.

Medical exemptions may be obtained from a licensed Medical Doctor (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) for children with a permanent or temporary physical or medical circumstance that rules out one or more vaccines.

Medical exemptions must include:

- Physical condition or medical circumstances
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