

## ***Immunization Records – Hepatitis B (98-TC-05)***

Education Code Section 48216

Health and Safety Code Sections 120325, 120335, 120340, and 120375

Statutes 1978, Chapter 325 (AB 2260); Statutes 1979, Chapter 435 (AB 805);  
Statutes 1982, Chapter 472 (SB 818); Statutes 1991, Chapter 984 (SB 407);  
Statutes 1992, Chapter 13 (AB 2798); Statutes 1994, Chapter 1172 (AB 2971);  
Statutes 1995, Chapters 219 and 415 (AB 382 and SB 1360);  
Statutes 1996, Chapter 1023 (SB 1497);  
Statutes 1997, Chapters 855 and 882 (SB 727 and AB 381)

California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Sections 6020, 6035,  
6040, 6055, 6065, 6070, and 6075

Test Claim Filed: August 17, 1998

Initial Reimbursement Period: 1997-1998 through 2004-2005

Initial Reimbursement Claims Filed: March 26, 2004

Statewide Cost Estimate: \$29,629,070

Adopted: May 27, 2004

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### **Background**

The test claim legislation for *Immunization Records: Hepatitis B* added mumps, rubella, and hepatitis B to the list of diseases an entering student must be immunized against prior to first admission into a school. Hepatitis B immunizations were also required for students entering the seventh grade. In addition, the test claim legislation amended statutes that required the Department of Health Services to amend regulations relating to the monitoring, record keeping, reporting, and parent notification requirements relative to the enforcement of the pupil immunization requirements. On August 24, 2000, the Commission adopted its Statement of Decision that the test claim legislation constitutes a reimbursable state-mandated program upon school districts within the meaning of article XIII B, section 6, of the California Constitution and Government Code section 17514.

Pursuant to Government Code section 17557, the Commission adopted separate uniform cost allowances for this program for “new entrants” and “seventh grade pupils.” Uniform Cost allowances were adopted for each fiscal year between 1997-1998 and 2002-2003. Subsequent to 2002-2003, the uniform cost allowances shall be adjusted each fiscal year by the implicit price deflator referenced in Government Code section 17523.

Reimbursement for new entrants is determined by multiplying the uniform cost allowance for the appropriate fiscal year by the number of “New Entrants.” A “New Entrant” includes kindergarteners and out-of-state transfers. Reimbursement for seventh graders is determined by multiplying the uniform cost allowance for the appropriate fiscal year by the number of “Seventh Grade Pupils.” A “Seventh Grade Pupil” is any pupil advancing to the seventh grade, other than “New Entrants.”

### **Statewide Cost Estimate**

The statewide cost estimate is based on 2,694 unaudited, actual reimbursement claims filed by school districts for fiscal years 1997-1998 through 2002-2003.

The estimate for fiscal years 1997-1998 through 2002-2003 is based on the claiming data provided by the SCO. Cost estimates for fiscal years 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 were projected using kindergarten and seventh grade enrollment data from the California Department of Education's (CDE) Dataquest web site. This mandate applies to new entrants and seventh grade pupils. New entrants are defined as kindergarteners and out-of-state transfers. However, this statewide cost estimate does not include projections for out-of-state transfers because according to the CDE's Educational Demographics Office, data is not collected for interstate transfers. Therefore, based only on kindergarten and seventh grade enrollment data, the Commission calculated enrollment figures for school years 2003-2004 and 2004-2005. Costs were estimated by multiplying the projected enrollment figures with the appropriate uniform cost allowance.

In adopting the estimate, the Commission made the following assumptions:

1. The claiming data is accurate, although unaudited.
2. The actual amount claimed will increase when late or amended claims are filed.
3. Any reimbursement claim for this program may be reduced by the SCO if it is audited and deemed to be excessive or unreasonable.