

## **CHANGES BY STATE OF IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR**

**Two changes highlighted in the 2009-2010 requirements:**

### **Tdap**

When a child is 11 years of age or older, and it has been 5 years or longer since the last documented dose of a tetanus toxoid containing immunization, the child shall receive a one-time dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccine, except if the child has a medical contraindication to pertussis vaccine, in which case the child shall receive tetanus diphtheria toxoid (Td) vaccine. Then, boost every 10 years with Td.

### **Varicella**

Beginning the 2009/2010 school year, all children entering kindergarten, first grade and sixth grade shall have received two valid doses of varicella vaccine. In addition, all incoming kindergarten students (or 1st grade where kindergarten is not provided) will be required to have two valid doses of varicella vaccine, or documentation of immunity by confirming laboratory test. History of disease as reported by healthcare provider, or parent, is acceptable for 1st grade through 12th grade (or 2nd grade through 12th grade where kindergarten is not provided) and should be documented in the student's record. 2nd grade through 5th grade, and 7th grade through 12th grade are required to have 1 dose of varicella vaccine, or two doses if the first dose was administered after the 13th birthday, or history of disease as reported by healthcare provider or parent, or laboratory documentation of immunity by confirming laboratory test.