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News Advisory

Southeastern District Health Department Announces Immunization Clinic

*Butte County Health Department Offers
Back to School Immunization Walk-In Clinic*

The Butte County Health Department has scheduled a Back-to-School Immunization Walk-In Clinic that will be held on Wednesday, August 15, from 8:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m., and 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at their offices located at 178 Sunset Drive in Arco.

Legally, in order to enter kindergarten, children are required to have 5 DTaP (Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis), 3 Polio, 2 MMR (Measles, Mumps, and Rubella), and 3 Hepatitis B immunizations. Documentation of complete immunizations is required for all students, kindergarten through 12th grade.

Idaho Law has changed and now requires children have more shots before they can begin Kindergarten. Parents of older students, particularly teens, are also encouraged to schedule shots, as many are due for Tetanus boosters (Tdap), a 2nd varicella, Meningococcal, and Hepatitis A and B shots.

Cost for immunizations are \$14.00 each, or \$20.00 for 2 or more vaccinations per child for children ages 2 – 18. However, no one will be denied services because of an inability to pay. Parents are requested to bring their child's up to date immunization record with them to the clinic. Remember, immunization prices increase to adult rates at age 19!

For more information on the walk in clinic, immunization requirements, or to schedule an appointment, please contact Kristy Unruh, at 527-3463. Information is also available at www.sdhdidaho.org

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