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Back-to-School Immunizations Needed

Tri-County Health Department is offering back to school immunizations. Weekly clinics are held in Aurora, Castle Rock, Englewood, and Northglenn. Appointments are also available in Parker and Brighton. Children are seen on a walk-in basis or with an appointment. Weekend clinics are also offered at Aurora Fire Station #2 and in Littleton at the Buck Recreation Center. These clinics are open to all children no matter where they live. Call 303-451-0123 to find a clinic.

Prices are reasonable, but no child is ever turned away because of inability to pay. Parents must bring their child's immunization record with them at the time of the shots.

Colorado children are required to have immunizations that protect them from 13 childhood diseases by the time they reach age two and booster shots are needed to enroll in school. Shots are available for any age child from newborns through 18 years of age.

Available shots include DTaP, which combines diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (whooping cough); hepatitis A and B; MMR, which combines measles, mumps and rubella (German measles); varicella (chicken pox); polio; haemophilus influenzae Type B (HIB); and pneumococcus pneumonia.

Call 303-451-0123 for more information or visit their website at www.tchd.org/immunizations.html.

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