## Connecticut

### Vaccination Surveillance System

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<td>STATUTE: Title 19a, Chapter 368a, Section 19a-7h RULE: 19a-7h-3 to 7h-5</td>
<td>Sec. 19a-7h. Childhood immunization registry. Regulations. (a) The Commissioner of Public Health or his designee may, within the limitations of available resources, establish and maintain for the purpose of assuring timely childhood immunization an ongoing registry of all children who have not begun the first grade of school including all newborns. The registry shall include such information as is necessary to accurately identify a child and to assess current immunization status. [emphasis added]</td>
<td>Sec. 19a-7h. Childhood immunization registry…. (c) Except as specified in subsections (a) and (b) of this section, all personal information including vaccination status and dates of vaccination of individuals shall be confidential pursuant to section 19a-25 and shall not be further disclosed without the authorization of the child or the child’s legal guardian. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, pursuant to chapter 54, to specify how information on vaccinations or exemptions from vaccination will be reported in a timely manner.</td>
<td>19a-7h-3. Reporting of vaccination by health care providers. (a) Health care providers giving vaccinations in an outpatient setting shall report to the immunization registry information on each vaccination given … or when appropriate, permanent exemptions from administration of each vaccine dose … Health care providers shall make similar reports at the request of the immunization registry administrator on children enrolled in the immunization registry…</td>
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(b) For purposes of this section, "health care provider" means a person who has direct or supervisory responsibility for the delivery of immunization including licensed physicians, nurse practitioners, nurse midwives, physician assistants and nurses. Each health care provider who has provided health care to a child listed in the registry shall report to the commissioner or his designee sufficient information to identify the child and the name and date of each vaccine dose given to that child or when appropriate, contraindications or exemptions to administration of each vaccine dose. Reports shall be made by such means determined by the commissioner to result in timely reporting. Each health care provider intending to administer vaccines to any child listed on the registry and each parent or guardian of manner to the registry, how information on the registry will be made available to health care providers, parents or guardians, and directors of health, how parents or guardians may decline their child's enrollment in the registry, and to otherwise implement the provisions of this section.

19a-7h-5. Refusing participation in the immunization registry.
The parent or guardian of any child who is listed or eligible to be listed in the immunization registry shall receive a written informational statement from the department about the immunization registry at the time of birth or, for qualifying children who come to Connecticut after birth, at the time of their coming to the attention of the

19a-7h-4. Release of information by the immunization registry.
(a) Health care providers intending to administer vaccines to a child who need to know a child’s immunization history for purposes of determining whether additional doses of vaccine are needed and health care providers who need to officially document a child’s immunization status to meet state day care or school immunization entry requirements and who have signed a written statement on a form provided by the department stating that they have read section 19a-7h-1 through 19a-7h-5 inclusive of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies and will comply with them shall
such child shall be provided current information as contained in the registry on the immunization status of the child for the purposes of determining whether additional doses of recommended routine childhood immunizations are needed, or to officially document immunization status to meet state day care or school immunization entry requirements pursuant to sections 10-204a, 19a-79 and 19a-87b and regulations adopted thereunder. Each director of health of any town, city or health district shall be provided with sufficient information on the children who live in his jurisdiction and who are listed on the registry to enable determination of which children are overdue for scheduled immunizations and to enable provision of outreach to assist in getting each such child vaccinated.

immunization registry. Such statement shall inform the parent or guardian that their child's immunization information will be reported to and maintained by the immunization registry and that they may submit a written request to the immunization registry at any time requesting that their child's immunization record no longer be maintained. Once the request is received, the immunization registry shall no longer update nor make available that child's immunization record as specified in section 19a-7h-4 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. *(Added effective May 1, 2000.)*

be allowed to obtain information from the immunization registry about the immunization status of children in it….