

## **GUIDELINES FOR FILLING IN THE SELF-DECLARATION AFFIDAVIT FOR VACCINES**

According to the new national regulations (Law nr. 119) if children are not up to date with vaccinations, they cannot attend the childcare services (nursery, pre-school, "primavera" classes, childcare centers, "tempi per le famiglie", play areas/toy libraries)

You must complete the self-declaration affidavit for vaccines enclosing the proper documents according to the specific situation of your child.

**As this is a law requirement be extremely careful with respect to time: from September, 1<sup>st</sup>, schools are open for the distribution of the documents/self-declaration affidavit/eventual supplementary documents. Last deadline is September, 10<sup>th</sup> 2017 extended to September, 11<sup>th</sup>, first working day.**

Here following some easy instructions:

### **How do I know if my child is up to date with immunization schedule?**

- On the vaccinations certificate issued by the ASST vaccines centers

On this document you know if your child is up to date with the immunization schedule according to its age (see table to check the fulfillment of compulsory vaccines – enclosed nr 2)

### **If my child got the vaccines and I have the document which proves the vaccinations what do I have to submit to the school?**

If your child got all the compulsory vaccinations and you have these documents, you must submit them to the school as soon as possible and not later than September, 11<sup>th</sup> 2017.

### **If my child got the vaccines but I don't have the vaccinations certificate what do I have to do?**

If you don't have these document on time but you remember that your child got all the compulsory vaccinations, you can fill in the related section of the self-declaration affidavit and submit it to the school within September, 11<sup>th</sup>. Within March 10<sup>th</sup> 2018 you must submit the documents proving the vaccinations (certificate issued by the ASST Vaccines Centers).

### **What do I have to do if my child is missing some compulsory vaccinations?**

If your child hasn't got some vaccinations, you must fill in the related section of the self-declaration affidavit and submit it to the school within September, 11<sup>th</sup> enclosing the documents which prove exemption/omission/postponement of the compulsory vaccinations or the request for vaccinations.

## **PARTICULAR CASES**

### **Case A: YOUR CHILD ALREADY GOT A DISEASE AND HE DOESN'T NEED THE RELATIVE VACCINATION**

You must fill in the related section of the Self-declaration affidavit, submit it within Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 2017 and enclose a statement issued by the Family Pediatrician or by the Doctor.

**Case B: YOUR CHILD HAS NOT BEEN VACCINATED FOR TEMPORARY OR DEFINITIVE HEALTH REASONS**

You must fill in the related section of the Self-declaration affidavit, submit it within Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 2017 and enclose the statement issued by the Family Pediatrician or by the Doctor.

**Case C: YOUR CHILD HASN'T GOT SOME VACCINES BUT YOU HAVE ALREADY FIXED AN APPOINTMENT TO GET THE VACCINATION**

You must fill in the related section of the Self-declaration affidavit and submit it within Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 2017 enclosing the documents attesting the formal request for appointment at the ASST Vaccination Center or appointment set by the Vaccine Center.

*NB A child may fall at the same time both in Case A, B and C on different vaccines.*

*Example: Your child may only have got some compulsory vaccinations, has not got other vaccinations because of certain illnesses and must not get the corresponding vaccines; may be exempted from other vaccinations for health reasons; Be waiting to get the remaining ones and have already booked them. In a case such as the one in the example, it would be necessary to deliver the Self-declaration affidavit and all supplementary documents by September 11<sup>th</sup> 2017. The vaccines, your child already got, can be proved on the vaccinations certificate (to be submitted by September 11<sup>th</sup> 2017) or by crossing in the appropriate section of the self-declaration affidavit of vaccination (by March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 you must submit the certificate issued by the ASST Vaccine Centers proving the vaccinations).*

**In summary for the right compilation:**

- ✓ Your child has got all the vaccinations and I have the proving documents → I submit the documents to the school by September, 11<sup>th</sup>.
- ✓ Your child has got all the vaccinations but I don't have the proving documents → I fill in the related section of the Self-declaration affidavit by September, 11<sup>th</sup> 2017 and submit the proving documents by March, 10<sup>th</sup> 2018.
- ✓ Your child has already got the illness and is therefore not obliged to get one or more vaccines → I fill in the related section of the Self-declaration affidavit by September, 11<sup>th</sup> 2017 and submit the necessary documents by September, 11<sup>th</sup> 2017.
- ✓ Your child cannot get one or more vaccines for temporary or definitive health reasons → I fill in the related section of the Self-declaration affidavit and submit the necessary documents by September, 11<sup>th</sup> 2017.
- ✓ I have taken an appointment at the Vaccination Center to get the compulsory Vaccinations that my child hasn't got yet → I fill in the related section of the Self-declaration affidavit and submit the relative documents by September, 11<sup>th</sup> 2017.

**WARNING: in the event that parents/guardians/ foster parents don't submit to the school the documents which prove the vaccination/exemption/omission or postponement, children cannot attend the childcare services.**

For more information please visit the "Ministero della Salute" site.

To find your nearest Vaccination Center please visit ATS BERGAMO (www.ats-bergamo.it)

Moreover the phone number 1500 for Public Utility is active.

Doctors and Experts from the Ministero and Istituto Superiore della Sanità are at your disposal to give information and explanations to the citizens on the newness introduced by the recent Law, July 31 2017, n. 119 on Compulsory Vaccinations from 0 to 16 years. The phone number is active from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Please note that as provided by the "Circular of the Ministero della Salute" on August, 16<sup>th</sup> documents must be submitted in Italian.**