



LINKS CHILDCARE POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Immunisation Policy

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Policy Statement

Links Childcare respects parents' rights to choose immunisation for their child and understands that not all children who attend the creche will be immunised. Children in groups are prone to picking up infections and they can spread quickly. It is our belief that immunisation gives a child protection from disease as well as protecting others around them, especially those too young for immunisation. This policy is available to all on www.linkschildcare.ie (<https://linkschildcare.ie/about-us/our-policies/>) or contact us at info@linkschildcare.ie.

Principle:

This policy is underpinned by the Childcare (Pre-school Services) Regulations 2006 and 2016.

Procedure:

The service is legally obliged to keep a record of all children's immunisations and asks parents to note all immunisations before the child starts:

- Name, date of birth;
- Age at which immunisation is due and date given;
- Date vaccination record was sighted;
- Where/ by whom it was given;
- Whether the child is up to date with immunisations;
- If the child has not been immunised, the reasons why, e.g. parental choice/ underlying medical condition.

The service will keep a record of children who have not received immunisation. Should there be an infectious outbreak all parents and staff will be notified in writing and, where necessary, verbally. It is the responsibility of the family to keep the service up to date with the child's immunisations.

Review

Management, in consultation with staff, monitors and reviews the effectiveness of this policy yearly or as required.

Review Dates:	January 2020	October 2020	April 2023
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