

To: Joseph Dwortzky, City Solicitor Date: 08/23/94

From: Jeanne Reedy, Executive Assistant, Records Dept.

Subject: Proposed Regulations Regarding Reporting of
Preschool Immunizations, Serology on
Maternal/Cord Blood for Congenital Syphilis

The above Regulations, promulgated by the Department of Public Health, were received in the Department of Records on 07/20/94 for filing and advertising.

Inasmuch as there were no requests for hearings, these Regulations became effective midnight, 08/19/94.

CC: Estelle B. Richman, Health Commissioner

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
OFFICE OF THE HEALTH COMMISSIONER

M E M O R A N D U M

July 13, 1994

TO : V. Chapman-Smith, Commissioner
Department of Records

FROM : *Estelle B. Richman*
Estelle B. Richman, Commissioner

SUBJECT : REGULATIONS FOR APPROVAL

Enclosed please find copies of two regulations approved by the Board of Health and Law Department. It is my understanding that these regulations need to be approved by the Records Department and published for public response.

Will you please advise Kimberley Imperiale of my office (686-5006) when the regulations can be considered legal. Thank you.

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cc: Susan Pingree, Chief of Staff
Robert Levenson, Director, Division of Disease Control
Charlotte Nicholas, Chief Deputy City Solicitor
Kimberley Imperiale, Assistant Health Commissioner
Marta Lippin, Records Department

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WHEREAS, Section 6-201 of the Health Code of Philadelphia authorizes the Board of Health to establish lists of reportable diseases and conditions, and

WHEREAS, Section 6-202 of the Health Code requires physicians who identify these reportable diseases and conditions designated by the Board, report the incidence of such diseases and conditions to the Department;

WHEREAS, immunizations levels of Philadelphia's preschool population have been and are at unacceptably low levels which gives rise to preventable diseases in the population which can result in death;

WHEREAS, the Philadelphia Department of Public Health is developing a computerized preschool immunization database and tracking system which will ultimately result in at least 90% of Philadelphia's children being fully immunized against vaccine preventable diseases by 24 months of age.

The BOARD OF HEALTH hereby amends the Regulations Governing the Control of Communicable and Noncommunicable Diseases and Conditions to read as follows:

WHEREAS, the computerized database to be effective must contain all immunizations administered to all of Philadelphia's preschool-aged children.

The Board hereby declares that the following immunizations administered to children ages 0 through 6 years are hereby made reportable to the Division of Disease Control:

Diphtheria-Pertussis-Tetanus (DPT), Pediatric Diphtheria-Tetanus (DT), Diphtheria-Tetanus and Acellular Pertussis (DTaP)

Measles-Mumps-Rubella (MMR)

Oral Poliovirus (OPV), Inactivated Poliovirus (IPV)

Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)

Hepatitis B (HB)

Also, in order to make the computerized database as complete as possible, where feasible, the above immunizations provided to preschool children in Calendar Year 1991 and 1992 are hereby made reportable as well.

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