

Pertussis Booster Shot (Tdap) Requirement - Open House

May 26, 2011

School Tdap Law Updates

www.ShotsForSchool.org

Shots For School - Windows Internet Explorer

http://www.shotsforschool.org/

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Shots For School

Shots for School

Google Custom Search Search

Home

- 7TH to 12TH Grade Tdap Law
- Tools for Schools
- Provider Info
- Parent Info
- Immunization Laws
- Información para padres

Welcome

to California's website about immunizations required for school entry.

This site provides news and information for schools, parents, and healthcare providers about school immunization requirements in California.

New Law for 2011-2012!

[7th through 12th Grade Tdap Requirement](#): 7th through 12th graders need a [whooping cough \(pertussis\)](#) shot before starting the school year.

[Torlakson Letter to School Superintendents and Administrators \(May 13, 2011\)](#) **New!**

[Notice to California schools](#) from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Director of the California Department of Public Health.

[Notice to California providers](#) from the California Department of Public Health, Immunization Branch.

Frequently Asked Tdap Requirement Questions for:

[Parents](#) | [Schools and Providers](#) | [Finding Vaccine](#)

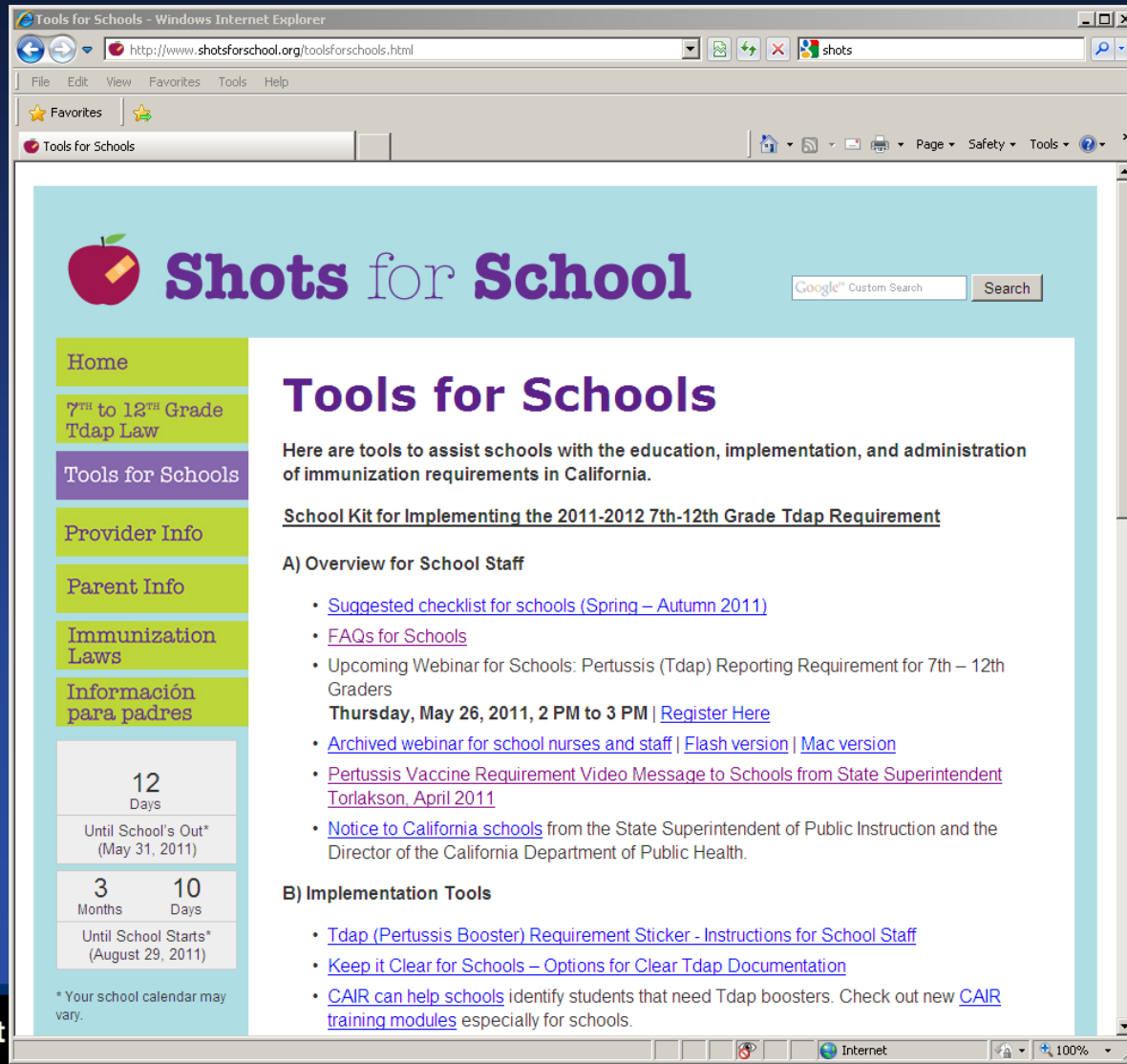
Contact your [local health department](#) for more information about immunizations.

5 Days
Until School's Out* (May 31, 2011)

3 Months 3 Days
Until School Starts* (August 29, 2011)

Updates for Schools

- <http://www.shotsforschool.org/toolsforschools.html>



Shots for School

Google Custom Search Search

Tools for Schools

Here are tools to assist schools with the education, implementation, and administration of immunization requirements in California.

School Kit for Implementing the 2011-2012 7th-12th Grade Tdap Requirement

A) Overview for School Staff

- [Suggested checklist for schools \(Spring – Autumn 2011\)](#)
- [FAQs for Schools](#)
- Upcoming Webinar for Schools: Pertussis (Tdap) Reporting Requirement for 7th – 12th Graders
Thursday, May 26, 2011, 2 PM to 3 PM | [Register Here](#)
- [Archived webinar for school nurses and staff | \[Flash version\]\(#\) | \[Mac version\]\(#\)](#)
- [Pertussis Vaccine Requirement Video Message to Schools from State Superintendent Torlakson, April 2011](#)
- [Notice to California schools](#) from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Director of the California Department of Public Health.

B) Implementation Tools

- [Tdap \(Pertussis Booster\) Requirement Sticker - Instructions for School Staff](#)
- [Keep it Clear for Schools – Options for Clear Tdap Documentation](#)
- [CAIR can help schools](#) identify students that need Tdap boosters. Check out new [CAIR training modules](#) especially for schools.

Home

7TH to 12TH Grade Tdap Law

Tools for Schools

Provider Info

Parent Info

Immunization Laws

Información para padres

12 Days
Until School's Out* (May 31, 2011)

3 Months 10 Days
Until School Starts* (August 29, 2011)

* Your school calendar may vary.

California Department of Public Health

Communications from CDE

- State Superintendent Torlakson
 - 2/11, 5/11 letters
 - 4/11 video
- Website linked to Shots for Schools

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/ttwcvideo.asp>. The page is titled "Pertussis Vaccine Requirement Video Message - Health Services & School Nursing (CA Dept of Educ - Windows Internet Explorer)". The header features the California Department of Education logo and navigation links for Curriculum & Instruction, Testing & Accountability, Professional Development, Finance & Grants, Data & Statistics, Learning Support, and Specialized Programs. The main content area is titled "Pertussis Vaccine Requirement Video Message" and includes a paragraph explaining the video message from Tom Torlakson, California State Superintendent of Public Instruction, regarding the pertussis (whooping cough) vaccination requirement starting in fall 2011. Below the text is a video player with a play button icon. The video player shows a portrait of Tom Torlakson with a blue banner at the bottom that reads "Tom Torlakson California Superintendent of Public Instruction" and the California Department of Education logo.

Pertussis Vaccine Requirement Video Message

A video message from Tom Torlakson, California State Superintendent of Public Instruction, on the pertussis (whooping cough) vaccination requirement starting in fall 2011.

The embedded video clip requires Adobe Flash Player software. If the video is not displayed in the space below, you may wish to access the [Windows Media Video version](#) (WMV;00:01:48). A full text transcript of the video message is provided below.

Text Transcript

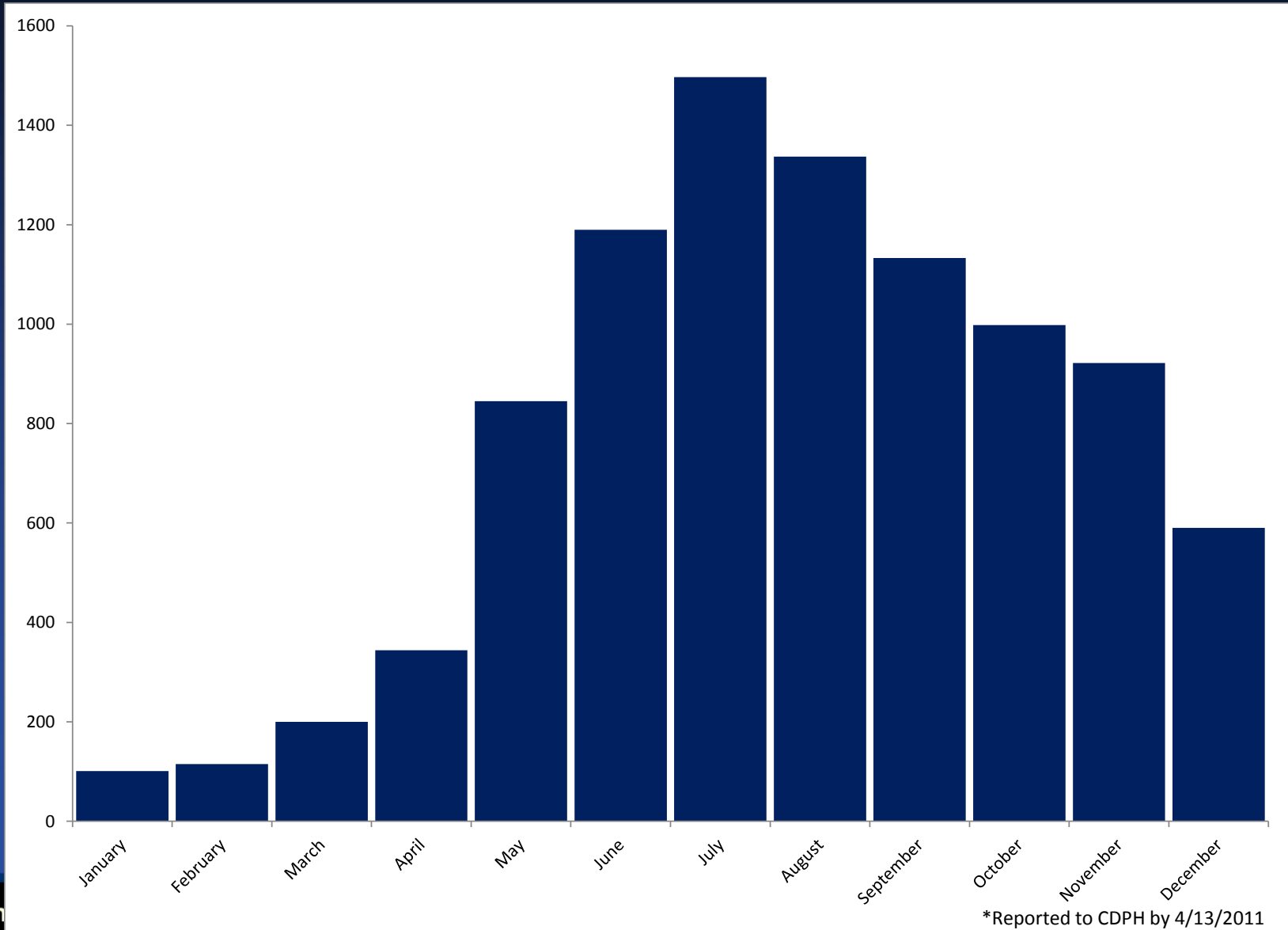
Hi, I'm Tom Torlakson. As many of you know, I've been California's State Superintendent of Public Instruction since January 2011.

Nothing is more important than our children's health.

California has recently experienced an increase in the number of children contracting whooping cough, also known

Tdap now!—No summer vacation for pertussis

Summer and fall are peak seasons



Tdap now!—No summer vacation for pertussis

Continue alerting parents and students:

- If you haven't already, get your Tdap NOW
 - Check in with your doctor
- Get a record of the Tdap booster from your doctor to share with school
- Bring your immunization record to school!
 - Provide details for submitting record

Reaching Students and Families

- New peer-to-peer draft tweets and texts
- Post messages above and downloadable electronic banners on school's
 - Websites, emails and electronic newsletters
 - Marquee or billboard
 - 2011-2012 Calendar
 - Report Cards and other notices
 - Student newspapers, newsletters
 - PTA, Community partners' communications

Messages for Schools

- Collecting Tdap records as soon as possible.
 - Staffing and systems for collecting records
 - Before the end of school
 - During summer vacation
 - Leading up to first day of school
 - Clear instructions for parents about when and how to submit Tdap records
 - Paper, phone and electronic messages

Td or Tdap given???

	1	5/20/98	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DTPHib <input type="checkbox"/> DTP <input type="checkbox"/> Td <input type="checkbox"/> DT	SAGEBRUSH MEDICAL CENTER 1111 COLUMBUS BAKERSFIELD, CA
	2	8/16/98	<input type="checkbox"/> DTPHib <input type="checkbox"/> DTP <input type="checkbox"/> Td <input type="checkbox"/> DT	<i>poly clinic</i>
DTP Td DT	3	10/7/98	<input type="checkbox"/> DTPHib <input type="checkbox"/> DTP <input type="checkbox"/> Td <input type="checkbox"/> DT	POLY CLINIC 2145 NILES BAKERSFIELD, CA
	4	6/30/99	<input type="checkbox"/> DTPHib <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DTaP <input type="checkbox"/> DT/Td	<i>poly clinic</i>
	5	4-16-03	<input type="checkbox"/> DTPHib <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DTaP <input type="checkbox"/> DT/Td	POLY CLINIC MEDICAL CENTER 2145 NILES STREET BAKERSFIELD, CA
		08.13.09	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Td	DR. D. MEN...

	1	7/20/97	<input type="checkbox"/> DTaP <input type="checkbox"/> DTP <input type="checkbox"/> DT/Td	HEALTH
	2	10/16/97	<input type="checkbox"/> DTaP <input type="checkbox"/> DTP <input type="checkbox"/> DT/Td	<i>very DTP</i>
DTaP DTP Td DT	3	02/11/98	<input type="checkbox"/> DTaP <input type="checkbox"/> DTP <input type="checkbox"/> DT/Td	K.C.E.O.C.
	4	12/21/98	<input type="checkbox"/> DTaP <input type="checkbox"/> DTP <input type="checkbox"/> DT/Td	K.C.E.O.C. FAMILY
	5	6/6/02	<input type="checkbox"/> DTaP <input type="checkbox"/> DTP <input type="checkbox"/> DT/Td <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Td	GBC Kern County 661-868
		AUG 20 2009		

Clear documentation

Tdap? DTaP? Td? Clinicians: Keep it Clear for Schools

Schools working on the new Tdap requirement are faced with unclear student immunization records and similar vaccine names. Make it easy by giving parents documentation that clearly indicates when and where Tdap was given. You have many options for clear documentation, including but not limited to:

1. Blue Card from CAIR

If your patient's records are in the California Immunization Registry (CAIR), you may print out an official California School Immunization Record (Blue Card). Once the dose has been recorded in CAIR, the required Tdap dose will automatically be displayed in the printed CAIR Blue Card.

OR

2. Provider form

You may use the fillable documentation forms sponsored by AAP-CA and CAPP. The forms are available from AAP-CA, CAPP, Local Health Departments, and EZIZ.org (Forms page for VFC providers).

3. Letter from your practice

Your practice may send a letter that documents receipt of Tdap vaccination and date of birth. Electronic medical records and mail merge capability may be used when available.

4. Yellow Card

You may also provide a legible updated California Immunization Record (yellow card) that clearly has a space for a Tdap booster.

CAUTION: Older forms that do not list Tdap can be confusing - try other options.

School Software Systems

- Systems that can print an accurate, formatted Blue Card with Tdap information, including check off box if appropriate dose given
 - Aeries, Power School

Lead-up to 1st day of school

- Additional staffing needed?
- Continue record collection – modify systems as needed.
 - Unreviewed records arrived during summer?
- Reduce the number of students arriving on first day without immunization or completed records through
 - Incentives
 - Ongoing communications
 - Working with health departments to identify local immunizers and directing students to them
- Procedures on first day for students who haven't met requirement?