

Protect Your Yellow Card Have it entered into CAIR It's free and easy!

What is CAIR?

The California Immunization Registry (CAIR) is a secure, confidential computer system used by doctors to keep track of their patients' immunization (shot) records. If you change doctors, your new doctor can use CAIR to look up a shot record and add new information. CAIR is also used by many schools and other agencies like WIC. This can help you enroll your child in school or child care, or meet WIC requirements. CAIR helps make sure that you/your child gets all needed shots at the right time. Learn more at www.CAIRWeb.org

How can CAIR help you?

CAIR helps your doctor keep your family healthy. But CAIR can also save you time and money. Lost your/your child's *Yellow Card* record? You can get a new one from our CAIR office—or any participating doctor's office. Want to keep your shot records up-to-date over time? Ask your doctor's office if they use CAIR. If no, suggest they call the CAIR office to get started!

To have a record added into CAIR, follow these steps.

1. Read the "disclosure form" (on the back of this sheet)
2. Fill out the form below and tear it off
3. Make a copy of your/your child's immunization Yellow Card
4. Fax, mail, or email the form and a copy of the Yellow Card to:



Fax:

Email:

If your yellow card is ever lost, contact your local CAIR office at () to get a new one.

Registration Form (1 form per person)
PLEASE PRINT

1. First Name: _____ Middle name: _____ Last name: _____

2. Date of Birth: _____

3. Sex: (Circle) Male Female

4. Mother's First Name (required): _____ Last Name: _____

5. Address (This will make it possible to get a copy of your CAIR record mailed to you) Yes, mail me a copy!

6. Phone number (We may need to call you) _____

CAIR STAFF ONLY

Entered by: Staff Initials: _____ Date: _____ Location: _____

Immunization Registry Notice to Patients and Parents

Immunizations or ‘shots’ prevent serious diseases. Keeping track of shots you have received can be hard. It’s especially hard if more than one doctor gave them. Today, doctors use a secure computer system called an *immunization registry* to keep track of shots. If you change doctors, your new doctor can use the registry to see the shot record. It’s your right to choose if you want shot records shared in the *California Immunization Registry*.

How Does a Registry Help You?

- Keeps track of all shots, so you don’t miss any or get too many
- Sends reminders when you or your child need shots
- Gives you a copy of the shot record from the doctor
- Can show proof about shots needed to start child care, school, or a new job

How Does a Registry Help Your Health Care Team?

Doctors, nurses, health plans, and public health agencies use the registry to:

- See which shots are needed
- Remind you about shots needed
- Prevent disease in your community
- Help with record-keeping

Can Schools or Other Programs See the Registry?

Yes, but this is limited. Schools, child care, and other agencies allowed under California law may:

- See which shots children in their programs need
- Make sure children have all shots needed to start child care or school

What Information Can Be Shared in a Registry?

- patient’s name, sex, and birth place
- parents’ or guardians’ names
- limited information to identify patients
- details about a patient’s shots

What’s entered in the registry is treated like other private medical information. Misuse of the registry can be punished by law. Under California law, only your doctor’s office, health plan, or public health department may see your address and phone number.

Patient and Parent Rights

It’s your legal right to ask:

- not to share your (or your child’s) registry shot records with others besides your doctor*
- not to get shot appointment reminders from your doctor’s office
- to look at a copy of your or your child’s shot records
- who has seen the records or to have the doctor change any mistakes

If you DO want your or your child’s records in the registry, do nothing. You’re all done.

If you DO NOT want your doctor’s office to share your immunization information in the registry: Please request an “Immunization Registry Refusal Form” from _____.

For more information about your rights, call

* By law, public health officials can also look at the registry in the case of a public health emergency.