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## TECHNICAL BULLETIN

DATE: March 27, 2026

TOPIC: Nevada State Board of Health Decision on Vaccination Recommendations

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TO: All Health Care Providers and Facilities; Pharmacists; Local Health Authorities

### BACKGROUND

On January 5, 2026, the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) issued a [memo](#) on a revised childhood immunization schedule reducing the number of diseases of focus from 17 to 11. Additionally, in a departure from regular federal processes, HHS Secretary Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. announced on social media changes related to COVID-19 vaccinations and changes to the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) membership were announced in June of 2025. The reconstituted, smaller ACIP made recommendations related to vaccinations at its subsequent meetings.

A March 16, 2026, U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts ruling of a [preliminary injunction](#) to stay in relation to the American Academy of Pediatrics, et al. v. Kennedy et al. case temporarily stays the appointments of HHS Secretary Kennedy's ACIP appointments due to procedural concerns related to possible violation of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as well as staying all votes taken by the stayed ACIP, and prevents ACIP from meeting until resolution of the case or another legal action reverses the temporary stay. Under the temporary stay, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) childhood immunization schedule changes made January 5, 2025, are stayed as are the December 5, 2025, changes to Hepatitis B recommendations, the COVID-19 HHS recommendation changes, and other stayed-ACIP vaccination recommendation changes. Under the temporary stay, reversion to CDC guidance in place before the dates of the stay is in effect.

### DECISION NOT TO ADOPT UPDATED FEDERAL VACCINATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) [441A.200\(1\)](#) provides a list of public health recommendations, guidelines, and publications adopted by reference meaning the most recent version of each is deemed adopted by reference. [NAC 441A.200\(2\)](#), provides an exception to this rule, "if both state and local health authorities determine that an update of or revision to a recommendation, guideline or publication. . . is not appropriate for use in the State of Nevada." On March 6, 2026, the Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) Chief Medical Officer presented a [request](#) not to adopt updated federal vaccination recommendations to the Nevada [Board of Health](#). The DPBH, Southern Nevada Health District, Northern Nevada Public Health, and the Central Nevada Health District requested the Board of Health not adopt by reference the most recent version of the *General Recommendations on Immunization: Recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP)*, as referenced in [NAC 441A.200\(1\)c\(1\)](#). The state and local health authorities requested revisions to these recommendations made since June 24, 2025, not be adopted by reference. Therefore, the version of the ACIP [childhood](#) and [adult](#)

recommendations as of June 24, 2025, will remain the reference in regulation until the state and local public health authorities make a formal request to the Board of Health to adopt a newer version.

### Questions

For updated guidance, please review [the Division of Public and Behavioral Health Technical Bulletin](#) web page regularly. Email [nviz@health.nv.gov](mailto:nviz@health.nv.gov) for questions regarding vaccination recommendations.



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