HISTORICAL VACCINATIONS

Historical vaccinations are vaccinations that are verified by a medical professional and documented on an official record of immunization as having been given at a different location or previous point in time, and that are not currently documented on the patient’s vaccination record in the Wyoming Immunization Registry (WyIR).

Before adding a historical vaccination to a patient’s record in the WyIR, the vaccination record must meet certain criteria to ensure it is verified and accurate.

VERIFYING HISTORICAL VACCINES

Only official immunization records should be used when verifying a patient’s immunization history. In order to protect the health and safety of the patient as well as to maintain the integrity of the information in the WyIR, it is essential that only verified historical vaccinations are entered into the WyIR.

Official Record Of Immunization

Only the following documentation should be referenced when verifying a patient’s vaccination history to be entered into the WyIR:

- An immunization record generated from the Immunization Information System (IIS) established by the Department or any other State’s IIS;
- An immunization record certified by a primary health care provider;
- An immunization record certified by a licensed physician, or the physician’s designee; or
- An immunization record certified by a public health authority.

Data Elements of a Verified Record

In order to be considered valid and be used to enter historical information into the WyIR, an immunization record must contain the following data elements:

- Source of the record;
- Patient’s name;
- Patient’s date of birth;
- Name of each vaccine administered; and
- Month, day, and year each vaccine was administered.
- Certification by a licensed physician, his designee, or by any public health authority.

ENTERING VERIFIED HISTORICAL RECORDS

Once all of the above criteria has been met, the patient’s immunization history may be entered into the WyIR. For additional information, including steps for adding, modifying, or removing patient vaccinations in the WyIR, visit www.immunizewyoming.com.