

Health Statement – Policy QO181-1

IMMUNISATION STATEMENT

- Ōtātara Children's Centre respects the right of all whānau to choose whether to immunise their child/ren.
- Children are accepted in to the Centre regardless of immunisation status.
- Immunisation certification must be sighted on enrolment (Ministry of Education requirement).
- If there is an outbreak of a 'notifiable,' infectious disease the Area Health Nurse will use the Centre immunisation register to contact any Parents of children without immunisation and ask them to keep their children at home.
- Ōtātara Children's Centre reserves the right to exclude unimmunised children during an outbreak of an infectious disease within the Centre.

HEPATITIS AND HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (H.I.V.) STATEMENT

- Employment and enrolment at Ōtātara Children's Centre will not be affected by the presence of Hepatitis B and H.I.V infections.
- A child or adult who suffers from these diseases is protected by the Human Rights Act 1993 which ensures the child/adult has a right to attend any Education Service.
- Disclosure of H.I.V status or Hepatitis B Carrier status (where known) is entirely voluntary, there is no legal requirement to disclose this information.
- As with other personal information about children in our service, confidentiality of the communicable disease status of any member of the Centre will be maintained at all times as outlined in the Privacy Act 2020.
- Standard safety and hygiene procedures are in place for infection control to prevent communicable disease transmission in the Centre. Because of the possibility of unknown infections these procedures are applied universally.

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