

H.98: HHC Outstanding Decisions

- **Aggregated Immunization Data Provided at the Start of Academic Year**
- **Medical Exemption**
 - Remove reference to “contraindicated” and replace with less restrictive language; (awaiting VDH proposal)
 - Remove requirement that licensed health care practitioner be “in Vermont”
 - Implement second type of medical exemption (i.e. (2)(B)) that requires health care practitioner (not necessarily authorized to prescribe immunizations) to annually certify the existence of practitioner-patient relationship and receipt of ongoing health care addressing communicable disease without receipt of all required immunizations
- **Philosophical and Religious Exemptions**
 - Remove philosophical exemption
 - Maintain existing philosophical exemption
 - Remove philosophical and religious exemption and instead implement an “alternative health care” exemption requiring an annual signed and notarized affidavit that the person/parent/guardian:
 - Seeks exemption;
 - Has reviewed educational material provided by VDH;
 - Has completed immunization video module; and
 - Has received in-person consultation re: immunizations with health care practitioner
- **Liability re: Existing Philosophical/Religious Exemption Form**
- **Authorize VDH to Implement Quality Improvement Measures at Schools with High Exemption and Provisional Admittance Rates**
- **Public Input re: Adoption of Required Immunizations**
 - Vermont Immunization Advisory Council
 - VDH to hold 2 public hearings prior to adoption of new required immunization
 - Require adoption of new required immunization to go through rulemaking (i.e. change to 18 V.S.A. § 1123)
- **Report re: Immunization of School Personnel**