

Background

ImmTrac, the Texas immunization registry, is a free service from the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). This secure, confidential registry stores a child's immunization information electronically in one central system and offers health care providers easy access to a child's immunization history. ImmTrac can help physicians and parents ensure that children are vaccinated on time and helps prevent over- and under-immunization.

Legislative Changes (House Bill 1921) require the following:

- Effective January 1, 2005, all health care providers must report all vaccines administered to a child under 18 years of age to DSHS.
- Prior to including a child's immunization information in the Registry, DSHS shall verify that parental consent has been granted for that child's participation in ImmTrac.
- Health care providers shall report all immunization information to DSHS within 30 days of administering the vaccine.

How to Report Immunizations to ImmTrac and When to Obtain Parental Consent

ImmTrac offers two ways to report immunizations:

- Direct Internet access
- Electronic data transfer from your medical records software

Parental consent for ImmTrac participation:

- Over 94% of Texas newborns are registered for ImmTrac participation by parental consent granted during the birth registration process.
- Providers should obtain consent if an ImmTrac search is performed and the client's record is not found in the Registry. The consent form may be printed from ImmTrac, signed by the parent, and faxed to DSHS to create the new client record.

What Can ImmTrac Do For You?

- Offers fast and secure online access to your patients' immunization histories
- Consolidates patients' immunization records from multiple providers
- Enables you to generate *Reminder* and *Recall* notices to inform your patients of due or overdue vaccines
- Enables providers to generate other useful reports directly from ImmTrac
- Interprets complex immunization schedule and recommends vaccines due
- Helps prevent over- and under-immunization
- Enables you to instantly print an official shot record to give to parents
- Offers immunization records on a large client population (>94% of Texas newborns are registered for ImmTrac participation during the birth registration process)
- Offers easy Internet access and a user-friendly application
- Offers improved data quality and easier client searches
- Saves staff time and cost in immunization records management
- Enables school to access students' immunization records, saving provider staff time

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