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**Key Messages**

- OntarioMD (OMD) has developed an EMR tool that can generate a list of school-aged patients that may have missed vaccines due under the Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA).
- There is a significant decrease in uptake of required immunizations in school-aged children that poses a risk for increased vaccine preventable disease outbreaks in Peel.
- Health care providers are encouraged to review their patient roster to determine which vaccines school-aged patients are eligible to receive.

**NEW: EMR tool available to identify school-aged patients missing vaccines under the Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA)**

OntarioMD in collaboration with Peel Public Health has developed searches and queries for Accuro® EMR, OSCAR Pro EMR, and TELUS PSS EMR to assist physicians in identifying school-aged patients that may have missed ISPA vaccines.

**Tool Functionality:**

- Generates lists of school-aged patients' names from your roster that may have missed ISPA vaccines:  
<https://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/immunization/ispa.aspx>.
- Reports can be generated for school-aged patients:
  - **4-6 years of age**
  - **7-11 years of age**

- Report functionality for older school-aged patients (12-18 years of age) is not currently available.
- The list is generated based on the dose count of vaccines documented in your EMR.
- It is important to verify the accuracy of the patient list, use clinical judgement to assess which vaccines should be administered, and to devise a plan to reach out to schedule appointments for school-aged children who require one or more vaccinations.
- The Publicly Funded Immunization Schedules for Ontario- June 2022 can be found here:  
[https://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/immunization/docs/Publicly\\_Funded\\_ImmunizationSchedule.pdf](https://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/immunization/docs/Publicly_Funded_ImmunizationSchedule.pdf).

The tool can be accessed at:

<https://omdeducates.com/identification-of-school-aged-patients-who-may-have-missed-immunizations/>.

For support using these tools or for searches in other EMRs, contact: [support@ontariomd.com](mailto:support@ontariomd.com).

**Physician Call for Action: Immunization of School-Aged Patients**

In large part due to the pandemic, there is a significant decrease in uptake of required immunizations among school-aged children that poses a risk for more vaccine preventable disease outbreaks in Peel.

Under ISPA, public health units can suspend students who are not up to date with required vaccines:  
<https://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/immunization/ispa.aspx>.

Peel Public Health plans to resume letter mailouts in the fall to students missing vaccines under ISPA and with school suspension enforced in some age groups.

**You can help your patients avoid school suspensions:**

1. Review your roster to identify school-aged patients eligible for vaccines as per the Publicly Funded Immunization Schedules for Ontario – June 2022:  
[https://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/immunization/docs/Publicly\\_Funded\\_ImmunizationSchedule.pdf](https://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/immunization/docs/Publicly_Funded_ImmunizationSchedule.pdf).
  - For patients 4-11 years of age, you can use the EMR tool at:  
<https://omdeducates.com/identification-of-school-aged-patients-who-may-have-missed-immunizations/>.
2. Offer vaccines at the earliest opportunity and prior to the fall letter mailouts.
3. Communicate the importance of immunization to patients.
4. Remind parents to report online at <https://peelregion.ca/immunize/report/> or by calling 905-799-7700 (toll free: 1-888-919-7800).
5. Monitor your vaccine inventory to ensure adequate supply. Vaccines can be ordered at: <https://www.peelregion.ca/health/professionals/V-07-629.htm>.