



Instructions for Completing the Commonwealth of Kentucky Parent or Guardian's Declination on Religious Grounds to Required Immunizations (EPID-230A)

If your child **has NEVER received** any immunizations:

*(Complete steps 1 through 5, then submit the valid **EPID-230A** form (required to enroll) to the school or child care facility.)*

1. Obtain a copy of the EPID-230A *Commonwealth of Kentucky Parent or Guardian's Declination on Religious Grounds to Required Immunizations (Revised 06/2017)* form available at: the [Immunization Branch - Cabinet for Health and Family Services \(ky.gov\)](https://www.ky.gov/health/branch-cabinet-for-health-and-family-services) website or from your local health department.
2. Complete the top portion of the EPID-230A form, place an "X" in the box(es) to the left of each disease for which you object to your child receiving an immunization and initial and date in the box(es) to the right of each disease objected that says "due to my religious beliefs, I object to my child receiving the required immunizations selected above. I am aware that if I change my mind, I can rescind this objection and obtain immunizations for my child."
3. Provide your child's full legal Last Name, First Name, and Middle Name and your child's Date of Birth using the format of MM/DD/YYYY on the lines provided.
4. Parent/legal guardian must take unsigned form and legal ID to Notary Public (*visit your local library*)
 - Sign form in front of the notary public.
5. Only when the Notary Public signs and dates, will you have a current and valid EPID-230A.

If your child **HAS received** one or more immunizations, including any immunizations given at birth:

*(Complete steps 1 through 7, then submit **both** (valid **EPID-230A** and current **EPID-230**) documents (required to enroll) to the school or child care facility.)*

6. Obtain a copy of your child's immunization certificate EPID-230 *Commonwealth of Kentucky Certificate of Immunization Status (Rev 06/2017)* from the [KYIR Public Portal - Cabinet for Health and Family Services](https://www.ky.gov/health/kyir-public-portal), your local health department or your child's medical provider.
 - All the immunizations your child has ever received must be listed on your child's immunization certificate.
 - "Religious Objection" must be checked at the bottom of your child's immunization certificate.
7. A valid **EPID-230A** *Commonwealth of Kentucky Parent or Guardian's Declination on Religious Grounds to Required Immunizations (Revised 06/2017)* **and** an **EPID-230** *Commonwealth of Kentucky Certificate of Immunization Status (Rev 06/2017)* must be presented together if your child has received one or more immunizations including any immunizations given at birth to satisfy the immunization certificate requirement.

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Prevention, Promotion, and Protection

Our Vision: Healthier People, Healthier Communities.

Our REACH Values: Responsiveness Equity Accountability Collaboration Honesty



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