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In the comings month, Elbert County Public Health will begin the process of transitioning immunization records from paper to electronic format for inclusion in the <u>Colorado Immunization Information System</u> (CIIS). Immunization records are confidential, personal medical information. The CIIS is a lifelong immunization record tracking system established under the Colorado Immunization Registry Act of 2007. CIIS has signed agreements with all participating immunization providers that are authorized to provide information to or access information from CIIS. CIIS and all people and entities that access immunization records are required to maintain the confidentiality of those records.

This process will help keep an accurate historical record of vaccinations provided to county residents in one place for you and your medical provider to access, as well as reduce the risk of old paper records being lost or misplaced. If you do not wish to have your record in CIIS, <u>under Colorado law</u> you may remove your or your child's immunization information from CIIS at any time. This is an "opt-out" process, meaning that immunization records are included in the transition unless you provide express decision to be excluded. If you wish to decline having your immunization records transitioned to CIIS you must complete an <u>opt out form</u> and submit it to ECPH by May 1, 2022. Individuals choosing to opt out then assume the responsibility of keeping a record of their immunizations.

If you or your child received immunizations at ECPH, please connect with us if you need a copy of your immunization records. If you miss the May 1 deadline, you may still choose to opt out at any time and

any record that has been uploaded to CIIS will be removed. Please be advised that if you do not currently have a copy of your records, you will need to request one, as all data (paper records) will be destroyed once the record is removed. After May 1, 2022 opt-out forms must be submitted directly to CDPHE at cdphe.ciis@state.co.us or mailed to the address on the form. Please contact Elbert County Public Health with any questions.

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