December 21, 2015

Dear Child Care Provider:

During the last legislative session, the Missouri General Assembly passed Senate Bill 341. This bill contains provisions regarding immunizations and impacts licensed and license-exempt child care providers. On August 28, 2015, this bill became law and can be found in § 210.003.7, RSMo.

Under the new law, beginning December 1, 2015, licensed and license-exempt child care providers must notify parents and guardians of each child currently enrolled in or attending the facility that they may request notice of whether there are children currently enrolled or attending the facility for whom an immunization exemption has been filed.

The Section for Child Care Regulation (SCCR) has developed a sample form (enclosed) that you may use to notify parents. The sample is for your reference and convenience only; SCCR is not requiring that you use this form.

Additionally, SCCR has revised the sample child care enrollment form to include a parental acknowledgement stating parents or guardians have been notified that they can request notice of whether there are children currently enrolled or attending the facility for whom an exemption has been filed. The revised form may be found on SCCR’s website at http://www.health.mo.gov/safety/childcare/forms.php.

We hope you find the enclosed information helpful. If you need assistance or have questions about the new notification requirements, please contact SCCR at (573) 751-2450 or your child care facility specialist.

Sincerely,

Sue Porting, Section Administrator               Cathy Sullivan, Chief
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Enclosure