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SUBJECT:  <b>Hillside Immunization</b>	EFFECTIVE DATE: September 8, 2015
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## **POLICY**

It is the policy of Kettle and Stony Point First Nation Education Services that The Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA) in Ontario will be adopted for the safety and security of the staff and students of Hillside School.

## **RATIONALE:**

The Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA) in Ontario requires all students attending school to have a complete immunization record on file with local Health Officials unless documentation of a religious or conscientious objection, a medical exemption or proof of prior immunity has been submitted to the Principal/ Program Manager of KSPFN Education Services. The following immunizations are required under the ISPA: **Tetanus, Diphtheria, Polio, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal, Chicken Pox.**

Therefore, the Lambton Health Unit will be considered the provincial Health designation and the Kettle and Stony Point First Nation Health Centre will be considered the Federal Health designation for the purposes of this policy.

## **REGULATIONS:**

### **Definition:**

#### *Grounds for Suspension*

In accordance with the *Immunization of School Pupils Act*, the provincial medical officer of health may suspend a child from school if the following have not been received:

- a statement signed by a physician or Member of the College of Nurses showing that the student has completed the prescribed program of immunization in relation to the designated diseases; or
- a statement of medical exemption in respect of the student or, where the

- provincial medical officer of health has received a statement of medical exemption, the effective time period specified in the statement has expired and the medical officer of health has not received a further statement of medical exemption; or
- a notarized statement of conscientious or religious belief in respect of the student by the Principal/ Program Manager of KSPFN Education Services.

The provincial medical officer of health may also suspend if s/he is not satisfied that the student has completed, has commenced and will complete or will commence and complete the prescribed program of immunization in relation to the designated diseases.

### *Immunization Record*

Immunization record refers to an official record of immunization maintained by a medical officer of health under the *Immunization of School Pupils Act*.

### **Procedures:**

1. Upon enrollment, parents will be asked to provide a copy of their child's immunization record to be included in their student records.
2. Hillside School will provide the enrolment list of pupils to the KSPFN Health Centre each September.
3. During the school year, the KSPFN Health Centre will check, review and update the immunization records of all Hillside students. The Health Centre may send a letter home to parents of students who do not have up-to-date immunizations.
3. After 2 weeks, if no information or inadequate information is provided, the Health Centre may choose to send out a letter to the Hillside Principal indicating the students with incomplete records.
4. Upon receipt of this letter, the Hillside Principal will send out a letter of notification to the parents and guardians of these students indicating the incomplete medical records and notifying the parents of the date of Suspension Order from school if the information is not provided to the KSPFN Health Centre.
5. Parents and Guardians will be given two weeks notification of Suspension Order to allow reasonable time to make compliance arrangements.

6. The student must be suspended from Hillside school, as of the date on the order, until the principal receives notice from the KSPFN Health Centre that the parent has complied with the order.