

To: School Administrators and School Nurses

From: Steve Balko, Director of School Building Security

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Subject: School Health Report

Per Governor Holcomb's Executive Order 20-20, "The requirements set forth in IC 20-34-3-12 and 14 are hereby suspended to the extent these provision require each school corporation to conduct vision and hearing tests for the school year. The Indiana Department of Education may collect information and data on this subject as it determines necessary."

Guidance regarding Executive Order 20-20 is as follows:

- If schools have completed their vision and hearing screening for this school year and have access to this data, schools should complete the School Health Report as they normally would do.
- If schools did not complete either the vision or hearing screenings for this school year, schools should enter as much data as possible into the Report. Any students in the required grade levels that were not screened this year should be added to the list for screening next year.
- If schools were unable to complete the Modified Clinical Technique (MCT) portion of the vision screening – state law allows schools to request a waiver. The waiver request form can be found [here](#).
- The immunization status for every student in the school should be checked and students should fall into one of the following four categories – complete, in process, medical exemption, or religious objection. If a student has not completed his/her immunizations due to any reason, including issues that have arisen due to COVID-19, then this student should be counted as "in process".
- **Every state accredited school must submit a School Health Report.** Even if the school has incomplete data, each school will be required to submit a Report. Due to Executive Order 20-20, schools will not be penalized if the school was not able to complete the vision or hearing screenings for the 2019-2020 school year. Schools must submit at least some data in order to meet the accreditation requirements, but the vision and hearing data does not have to be complete for this school year.

Please contact Cheryl Coffey at ccoffey@doe.in.gov should you have any questions regarding the School Health Report.