

2012 Kansas Statutes

65-1,251. Influenza immunization for children; school-based influenza vaccination pilot program; study and report. (a) The department of health and environment shall work to increase influenza immunization awareness and participation among parents of children aged six months to five years in child care facilities. The official website of the department of health and environment shall have information on the benefits of annual immunization against influenza for children and its programs offered for the children. The department of health and environment shall cooperate with the department of social and rehabilitation services in order to distribute the information to the parents and child care facilities effectively in August or September in every year.

(b) The department of health and environment shall conduct a study of the feasibility of establishing a school-based influenza vaccination pilot program. The study shall:

(1) Examine the costs and benefits of establishing a school-based influenza vaccination pilot program;

(2) identify any barriers to implementing the school-based influenza vaccination pilot program and recommend strategies for removing the barriers; and

(3) determine the fiscal impact to the state of the proposed pilot program.

(c) The department of health and environment shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations resulting from such study to the joint committee on health policy oversight before the 2009 legislature convenes. The joint committee on health policy oversight may introduce bills or request funding in order to provide for the program.

(d) The department of health and environment may seek, receive, and spend money received through an appropriation, grant, donation, or reimbursement from any public or private source to implement the pilot program.

History: L. 2008, ch. 98, § 2; July 1.