

I, _____, hereby state that we have chosen not to participate in any and all vaccination programs for our children, including those not yet available. This is pursuant to our right to refuse vaccination due to our sincere religious beliefs.

I, _____, will not hold the day care provider liable for any child's exposure to or contraction of illness of any kind, relating to this matter.

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Immunization Exemptions and

Vaccine Preventable Disease Exclusion Guidelines in School Settings

Definition of Allowable Exemptions

There are two situations in which children who are not appropriately immunized may be admitted to school:

- 1) a **medical exemption** is allowed if a physician submits documentation attesting that an immunization is medically contraindicated; and
- 2) a **religious exemption** is allowed if a parent or guardian submits a written statement that immunizations conflict with their sincere religious beliefs.

PART I. ADMINISTRATION OF THE GOVERNMENT

TITLE XII. EDUCATION

CHAPTER 76. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE "In the absence of an emergency or epidemic of disease declared by the department of public health, no child whose parent or guardian states in writing that vaccination or immunization conflicts with his sincere religious beliefs shall be required to present said physician's certificate in order to be admitted to school."

Signature _____

Date _____