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Information on the reformed health examination for school enrolment

Why is there a health examination when starting school?

The health examination for school enrolment serves to determine your child's health and developmental status. In the event of developmental delays or health impairments, advice is provided on possible support or therapeutic measures.

The kindergarten or school can be informed of any special needs the child may have.

The data from the examination is transmitted to the State Office for Health and Food Safety in anonymised form (without name, address and telephone number) in accordance with Section 11 (1) of the School Health Care Ordinance (SchulgespflV) and is statistically evaluated there. This provides important insights into the current state of health of children in Bavaria.

Who takes part in the health examination?

All Munich children take part in the health examination in the two years before their regular admission to first grade.

The Health Department (GSR) is legally obliged to report children who have not been examined to the Youth Welfare Office. This becomes necessary if no appointment has been made and no examination has taken place after the third reminder letter.

What does "reformed" health examination mean?

With a new concept from the previous school entry examination, the content of the examination was expanded and the time of the examination was brought forward. The date of school enrolment remains unchanged. The reformed health examination is currently being introduced throughout Bavaria.

How are invitations issued?

Parents or guardians will be contacted according to the child's date of birth to arrange an appointment for the examination. After receiving the personal invitation, you can book an appointment for an examination online or by telephone.

How is the examination conducted?

The examination begins with an approximately 60-minute long screening by a health and pediatric nurse. This includes a vision, hearing and speech test as well as playful tests on the child's development. Height and body weight are measured. The vaccination status is assessed and, if necessary, vaccination advice is given.

A medical examination is mandatory if the U8 or U9 preventive medical check-up is missing. This also takes place if the examination by the healthcare professional reveals indications of a need for support or therapy, a chronic illness or a developmental delay. On request, it can also be used to answer questions about your child's health and development. If the decision for a repeat examination is made during the medical examination, this will take place in the year before the child starts school. Participation in this is also compulsory.

After the examination, you will receive a certificate of attendance for your child. This certificate must be presented to the school by the start of school. It is not necessary to submit the yellow examination booklet to the school.

Legal basis, duty of confidentiality, data protection

According to Art. 80 clause 1 of the Bavarian Law on Education and Teaching (BayEUG), participation in the health examination for school enrolment is mandatory. The presentation of proof of the last age-appropriate preventive medical check-up (U8 or U9) as well as the presentation of existing vaccination cards/vaccination certificates is also mandatory according to Art. 12 of the Health Service Act (GDG).

All examination results are subject to medical confidentiality. For information on data protection, please refer to the supplementary sheet.

Where is the examination conducted?

The examination takes place in the health department at Bayerstraße 28a or for families from the west of Munich in the branch office in Freiham (Grete-Weil-Straße 24). The assignment to the place of examination is based on your registration address and will be communicated to you when you make the appointment.

Who should accompany your child?

An accompanying person with custody is required for the examination of the child. Accompaniment by an authorised person should only take place in justified exceptions. In this case, an informal power of attorney and a copy of the identity card of the parent/guardian is required. Authorised representatives must also be able to identify themselves.

Does the U8 or U9 preventive medical check-up have to be completed?

Yes, proof of participation in the last age-appropriate preventive medical check-up (U8 or U9) must be brought to the health check-up. It is essential that you have these examinations carried out at your pediatrician's practice between the 46th and 48th month of life (U8) and the 60th and 64th month of life (U9). If your child has not yet had the last age-appropriate preventive medical check-up, please indicate this when making an appointment.

Special situations

- In justified cases, an interpreting service can be arranged by telephone.
- We offer individually tailored appointments for children with developmental disabilities due to physical, mental or psychological disabilities. More time than usual is scheduled for the examination in this case. A telephone consultation and joint planning of the appointment will take place in advance.
- If you and your child live abroad, we require a current medical certificate and the child's current vaccination status.
- If you register your place of residence outside of Munich after receiving the invitation, we require a copy of the registration at your new place of residence.
- The health examination for school enrolment is also mandatory if you wish to enrol your child in a private or special school.
- If your child has already been examined at another health authority, we need a copy of the certificate.

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