
HW-2 HEALTH HISTORY

**MANDATORY
(ALL)**

A camp must receive from each camper and seasonal staff person a current, signed health history, requesting all of the following information in relation to the activities in which the camper/staff may participate in camp:

- Description of any camp activities from which the camper/staff should be exempted for health reasons,
- Record of past medical treatment, if any,
- Record of allergies, dietary restrictions,
- Record of immunizations including date of last tetanus shot,
- Record of current medications, prescribed and over-the-counter, and
- Description of any current physical, mental, or psychological conditions requiring medication, treatment, or special restrictions or considerations while at camp.

Does not apply to year-round staff.

Applies to:

- **Day camps**
- **Resident camps**

INTERPRETATION: A "health history" is a current record of an individual's past and present health status that is completed and signed by an individual adult or the parent or guardian of a minor. "Current" means prepared for the camp season. The required signature serves as evidence that the individual adult or the parent/guardian has supplied complete and accurate health information related to the camper or staff participation in specific activities, as outlined in Standard PD-11.

NOTE: If camps have staff or minors who do not have immunizations, for religious or other reasons, a "record" can be a signed refusal or a signed waiver form.

The *ACA Accreditation Standards Resource CD-ROM* should be consulted for information on waivers and health-history information.

COMPLIANCE DEMONSTRATION: Visitor observation of randomly selected health-history records

WRITTEN DOCUMENTATION IS REQUIRED