Immunizations
Oregon law requires that you must have on file a completed, up-to-date Certificate of Immunization Status form (CIS), which is the Oregon shot record, for each child in your care. The child may need to receive additional immunizations depending on the child’s age and shot schedule. You are responsible for notifying parent(s) when a dose is due and to have the new doses recorded on the CIS form, signed and dated by the parent. CIS forms and help are available from the local county health department. (see blue pages of telephone book for local phone numbers). This information is provided by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Public Health Division, Immunization Program (www.bit.ly/vaccine_and_imms).

Child Care Restrictable Diseases
According to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) - Public Health Division’s rule OAR 333-019-0010, a child who is diagnosed with a childcare-restrictable disease cannot be admitted or retained in a family child care home as long as the disease is communicable. Examples of child care restrictable diseases include, but are not limited to: chickenpox; giardiasis; meningitis; mumps; measles; tuberculosis; head lice; and scabies. In addition, OHA strongly recommends that children with uncontrolled diarrhea, vomiting, purulent conjunctivitis (discharge from eyes), fever (oral temperature over 101°F), and/or impetigo be excluded from the home as long as symptoms last. More information is available from your local county health department (See blue pages of telephone book for local phone numbers). This information is provided by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Public Health Division (www.public.health.oregon.gov).

Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting
Licensed child care providers are mandatory reporters of child abuse and neglect. The law states that any mandatory reporter who has reasonable cause to believe that any child with whom the person comes in contact has suffered abuse or neglect, or that any person with whom the person comes in contact has abused or neglected a child must immediately report to either law enforcement or the Department of Human Services (DHS). Law enforcement agencies and DHS (www.oregon.gov/DHS/children) may be contacted for more information. See blue pages of telephone book for local phone numbers.

Vehicle Child Safety Systems and Seat Belts
Oregon law requires all children to be transported in a child safety system or seat belt that meet the standards of the Oregon Department of Transportation. Infants must ride in a rear-facing child safety seat until they reach both one year of age AND 20 lbs. Children over one year of age AND between 20-40 lbs must be properly secured in a forward-facing child safety seat. Children who weigh over 40 lbs must be properly secured in a booster seat until they are age eight OR 4’9” in height, and children who are age eight or older, OR are taller than 4’9”, must ride in the vehicle properly secured with the safety belt system. For more information, go to the Oregon Department of Transportation website at http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT, or see blue pages of telephone book for local phone numbers.

Bicycle Safety
Any child under 16 years of age must wear a bicycle helmet when riding a bicycle. For more information, go to the Oregon Department of Transportation, Motor Vehicles Division website at www.oregon.gov/ODOT/DMV, or see blue pages of telephone book for local phone numbers.

Civil Rights Laws
A child care provider cannot discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, or the marital status of the child’s parent(s). For more information, go to the Civil Rights Division of the Bureau of Labor and Industries website at www.oregon.gov/BOLI/CRD, or see blue pages of telephone book for local phone numbers.

Americans with Disabilities Act
The federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) prohibit a child care provider from discriminating against any child because of a disability. A disability means "a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities". Providers are required to take any actions that are not too difficult or expensive to make their homes accessible to children with disabilities. For more information on child care and ADA, go to http://www.ada.gov/childqanda.htm.