


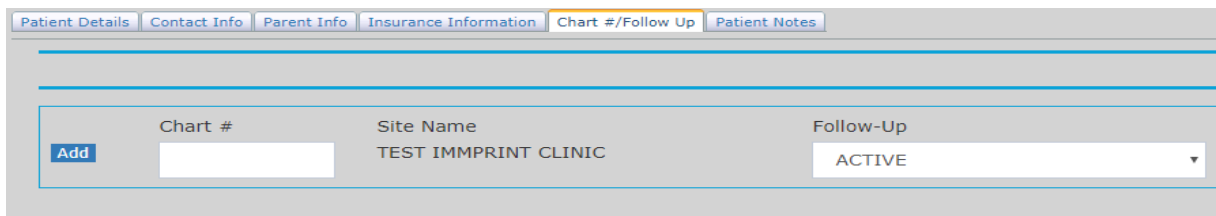
## Religious Exemption

**Objectives: At the completion of this section, the learner will know the steps to:**

- Issue a full religious exemption (county health department user)
- Issue a partial religious exemption (county health department user)
- Document a full or partial religious exemption (school nurse or child care director)

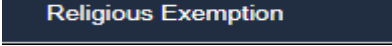
Only clinic users at a County Health Department (CHD) can issue a Certificate of Religious Exemption from school-required immunizations. The Certificate of Religious Exemption will be on a form approved by the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) and will be accepted in lieu of the Certificate of Immunization (COI). Steps to issue a religious exemption are as follows:

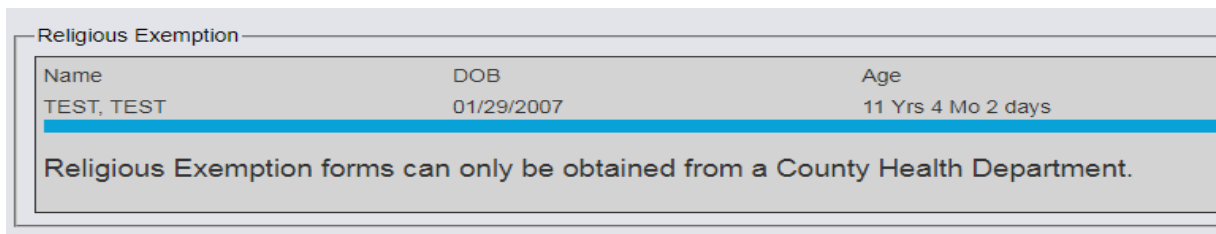
1. To issue a religious exemption for all vaccines required by school law, a patient must be assigned to your site and have a Chart #. A chart # can be added by clicking “View Patient Details”, “Chart #/Follow Up”, entering a chart number, and click 



Patient Details	Contact Info	Parent Info	Insurance Information	Chart #/Follow Up	Patient Notes
<input type="button" value="Add"/>	Chart #	Site Name		Follow-Up	
	<input type="text"/>	TEST IMPRINT CLINIC		ACTIVE	

2. Once the patient has a chart number assigned at your site move to the left Menu, and

select Religious Exemption.  If you are not authorized to issue a religious exemption, the following message will appear:



Religious Exemption		
Name	DOB	Age
TEST, TEST	01/29/2007	11 Yrs 4 Mo 2 days

Religious Exemption forms can only be obtained from a County Health Department.



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Immunization Division, 201 Monroe St, Montgomery, AL 36104

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- If this is a CHD user, then they should proceed by entering the requestor's information and the reason for objection in the "Requestor Information" section.

The screenshot shows a web form with two main sections. The top section, titled "Requestor Information", contains a dropdown menu for "Relationship to Patient", text input fields for "Last Name", "First Name", and "Middle Name", and a large text area for "Reason for objection (must be added to print form)". The bottom section, titled "Exemption History", features a table with columns for "Exemption Type", "Group", "Written Objection", "Video Reviewed", and "Do Not Vacc Signed". An "Add" button is located to the left of the "Exemption Type" column. Below the table are two buttons: "Update and View Printable Form" and "Cancel".

- In the "Exemption History" section, the user must first select an exemption type: partial or full exemption, indicated by the selections: "Partial Religious Exemption" and "Religious Exemption, respectively.

A close-up of the "Exemption Type" dropdown menu. The menu is open, showing three options: "<--Select-->", "Partial Religious Exemption", and "Religious Exemption". The "Partial Religious Exemption" option is highlighted in blue.

- A full exemption will result in the vaccine "Group" field defaulting to "All". For a partial exemption, the user will need to select a vaccine "Group" from the drop-down menu.

Two screenshots showing the "Exemption Type" and "Group" fields. The left screenshot shows "Religious Exemption" selected in the "Exemption Type" dropdown and "<--All-->" selected in the "Group" dropdown. The right screenshot shows "Partial Religious Exemption" selected in the "Exemption Type" dropdown and a list of vaccine groups open in the "Group" dropdown, including DTaP, Hib, MMR, Meningococcal, PneumoPPV, Pneumococcal Conjugate, Polio, Rotavirus, TD/TDAP, and Varicella.



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- After the “Group” is selected, the user must check the boxes attesting that the requestor has completed a written objection, reviewed the video, and signed a Do Not Vaccinate Form.

Exemption Type	Group	Written Objection	Video Reviewed	Do Not Vacc Signed
Partial Religious Exemption	DTaP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Update and View Printable Form Cancel

- After the boxes have been checked, click the “Add” button on the left.

Exemption Type	Vaccine Group	Begin Date	End Date or Vaccine Given	Written Objection	Video Reviewed	Do Not Vacc Signed
Partial Religious Exemption	DTaP	06/07/2018		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

- Once the religious exemption has been added, a Certificate of Religious Exemption can be printed by clicking on “Update and View Printable Form”.

**STATE OF ALABAMA  
CERTIFICATE OF RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION FROM IMMUNIZATION**

TESTCASE TWENTYSEVEN TESTCASE TWENTYSEVEN 06/01/2013

Name of Child Date of Birth

**I attest that vaccines are in conflict with the tenets and practices of my religion. I request that my child be given a Certificate of Religious Exemption from Immunization. I understand that my child may be excluded from daycare or school if a vaccine-preventable disease occurs.**

TINY TIMMIE 06/07/2018

Parent or Guardian Date Printed

Religious Exemption applies to:  
DTaP

From this screen, choose the print icon or press Ctrl P on your keyboard to print.

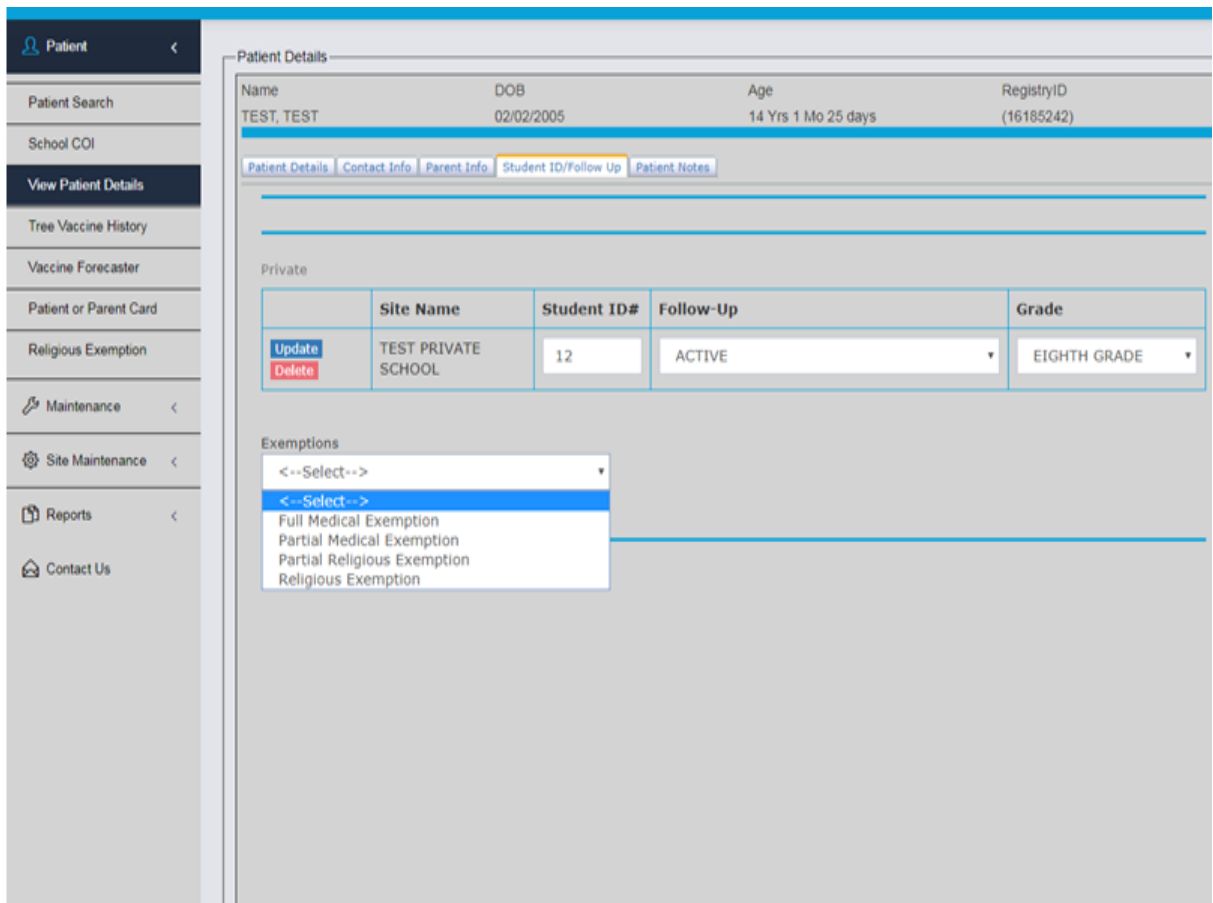


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9. If this is a school nurse or child care center director, go to the Patient Details screen of the student/attendee’s record and choose “Student ID/Follow Up” or “Attendee ID/Follow Up” tab. Choose “Full Religious Exemption” if the student is exempt from all vaccines or “Partial Religious Exemption” if the student is exempt for only one vaccine or several vaccines, but not all vaccines. As a school nurse or child care center director, you will not be able to pick the specific vaccine when you enter the exemption. A school nurse and a child care director can enter a full medical exemption and partial medical exemption in the same manner. Click on Update to save the religious or medical exemption.



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