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HPV vaccination programme

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We will be offering the HPV vaccine to school aged children this academic year as part of the National School aged Vaccination Programme.

We will be visiting your child's school w/c6th December 2021.....

The HPV programme in the UK consists of two doses of the vaccine for students who start the course before their 15th birthday. The vaccine is routinely offered in schools, to boys and girls from year 8 as part of the national programme for vaccination of children and young people. A second dose is offered a minimum of 26 weeks later; which may not be in the same academic year. Catch up is available for students who have not started or completed the course of vaccinations, by prior arrangement, with the Immunisation Service. However, it is not available on the NHS for boys in years 11 to 13. By having this vaccination, students are protected against the Human Papilloma Virus that causes some types of cancer and genital warts. Further information is available on the NHS Choices website www.nhs.uk (search for HPV), as well as links to other useful websites.

Please take this opportunity to check that your child's routine vaccinations are up to date. You can check this with your GP Practice. If you have any questions, you can also contact the Immunisation Service or your School Nurse.

How do I give consent for the HPV Vaccination Course? Complete the steps below, before the closing date and time, to consent for your child to have the HPV Vaccination Course. The consent form will close 2 working days before the vaccination session date.

^{*} Parental responsibility consent includes: Mother; A father named on the birth certificate or married to the mother; Adult granted parental responsibility by the courts; Adult with delegated authority consent (given by the Local Authority when children are on a care order).

Your online consent form closes at 11am 2 working days before your session date:,

- 1. Click on the following link: www.bwimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/HPV
- 2. **Enter and confirm your preferred email address** you will receive a confirmation email following submission of the consent form.
- 3. Enter your school code: BW145723
- 4. **Complete and submit the consent form**, indicating your choice of consent Please ensure you provide the child's registered address and GP

If you do not want your child to have this vaccination course, please still complete the consent form where you will have the option to decline the vaccinations. We hope that the information provided helps you to make a positive decision about protecting your child against this cancer causing virus, for which a vaccination is readily available.

Yours sincerely

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