

**This letter contains important information. Please retain this letter and submit the consent form online as soon as possible.**



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Dear Parent/Carer

## HPV 1 vaccination – Year 8 students

### Chiltern Edge Year 8 - 03/02/2023

The Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccination is part of the NHS school-based immunisation programme in the UK. In line with government recommendations as of September 2019 the programme now includes all boys and girls in Year 8 and Year 9.

The HPV vaccine consists of two injections given into the upper arm at an interval of between six and twenty-four months. The first vaccination (HPV 1) will be given at school in Year 8 on the date above. Please be aware that the date above may be subject to change. When your child is in Year 9 you will be notified when the second dose (HPV 2) is due.

Sometime during the 2021 to 2022 academic year, the HPV vaccine used in the NHS programme will switch to Gardasil 9. Information on Gardasil 9 can be found by following this link <https://www.medicines.org.uk/emc/product/7330/pil>.

If your child moves to a school outside Oxfordshire before receiving their second dose, please contact your local School Health Nurse Immunisation Service in that area for advice to ensure the course is completed.

Please note if you believe your child may have already received this immunisation please check with the local Child Health Information Department on 0300 561 1851 or contact your GP in the usual way **BEFORE** submitting your consent form.

If you agree for your child to receive the HPV vaccine at school, you must complete the online Consent Form by following the link on the following page. By completing the Consent Form and agreeing to the vaccination you will be consenting for both doses to be given, the second of which will be given in Year 9.

Yours faithfully,



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## HPV VACCINATION CONSENT FORM

To access the Consent Form please click on the following link

<https://www.oxfordhealthimms.co.uk/Forms/HPV>

You will need the unique code for your child's school, which is: OX146103

Due to the checking process' required please complete the form at least one full school day before the session to ensure your child is able to be vaccinated at school. Community clinics will be available across the county if your child has not been vaccinated in the school session.

### **Important additional information for parents and carers**

Please read the following information carefully

**Information leaflet** - Please read the leaflet available [here](#) which explains the vaccination programme. If you require a hard copy, please contact the Immunisation Team Office.

### **Declining the offer of HPV vaccination**

If you decide you do not want your child to receive the HPV Vaccination, please complete and submit the consent form, refusing the immunisation.

**Withdrawing Consent** – If you change your mind after submitting the consent form and no longer wish your child to be vaccinated please email [withdrawconsentSAIS@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk](mailto:withdrawconsentSAIS@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk) at least one full school day before the session **and** on the day of the vaccination session provide a written note to your child's School Reception for the urgent attention of the Immunisation Team. Please state in the letter and in email subject heading, your child's school, name, year group and date of birth.

**For further information about the vaccine please go to:**

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/hpv-human-papillomavirus-vaccine/>

**The Complete UK Immunisation Schedule can be found here:**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-complete-routine-immunisation-schedule>