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Diphtheria Tetanus & Polio (DTP)& Meningitis ACWY Vaccinations — Year 9 Students

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Children's Immunisation Team will be visiting your child's school on **Wednesday 28th April** to carry out immunisations to protect against Diphtheria Tetanus & Polio (DTP) & Meningitis ACWY which are now due.

To protect your child please access the online consent form by clicking on the following link [**Vaccination Consent**](#)

You will need to enter the unique code for your child's school. The code is **ENF139599**
Please submit your form as soon as possible to ensure your child receives their vaccination. I

If you experience any problems accessing the form, please telephone 0208 702 3349 and the team will be happy to help.

The teenage booster, also known as the 3-in-1 or the Td/IPV vaccine, is given to boost protection against 3 separate diseases: tetanus, diphtheria and polio.

Meningitis is an infection of the protective membranes that surround the brain and spinal cord (meninges). It can affect anyone, but is most common in babies, young children, teenagers and young adults. Meningitis can be very serious if not treated quickly. It can cause life-threatening blood poisoning (septicemia) and result in permanent damage to the brain or nerves.

A leaflet explaining about Immunisations for young people can be found here https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/849579/PHE_11490_IMM_young_people_A5_booklet_Dec2019.pdf

Whilst you have no obligation to do so we would be grateful if you could complete the e-consent form, even if you prefer your child not to be vaccinated. This will avoid you being sent subsequent invitations/appointments and helps us understand reasons for non – consent to immunisations in the community.

Please note: In the absence of a signed consent/refusal form from a parent/carer your child will be given the opportunity to legally consent for themselves to have these immunisations, if they can demonstrate that they are able to fully understand what is involved in the decision that they are making.

Similarly, if you consent on behalf of your child and they refuse vaccination, it will not be given.

The information provided on the form will be securely held on the child's electronic health record until they are 25 years old.

The Trust collects personal information to ensure that individuals receive appropriate care and treatment and to meet certain statutory obligations. This information is kept, together with details of the care provided, because it may be needed if you require treatment again. The Trust Privacy Notice provides more information relating to how your information is processed. Please see the following link:

<http://www.beh-mht.nhs.uk/privacy-notice.htm>

If you have any further questions or queries you can contact the Immunisation Team directly by phone or email, using the contact details at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely,



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