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Dear Parent/Carer,

## **HPV 1 VACCINATION – Year 8 STUDENTS**

**School: Maiden Erlegh (RDG) Session date: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2023**

The Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccination is part of the NHS school-based immunisation programme in the UK. In line with government recommendations 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. If your child moves to a school outside Berkshire before receiving their second dose, please contact us.

The HPV vaccine used in the NHS programme is Gardasil 9. Information on Gardasil 9 can be found by following this link <https://www.medicines.org.uk/emc/product/7330/pil>.

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 using 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.

Kind regards

**School-aged Immunisation Team**

## **HPV VACCINATION CONSENT FORM**

To access the Consent Form please click on the following link:

[Vaccination Consent \(berkshireimmunisations.co.uk\)](http://berkshireimmunisations.co.uk)

**You will need the unique code for your child's school, which is: BK141886**

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

We ask for your child's NHS number on all consent forms, this allows your child's immunisation to be recorded on their GP records. The NHS number can be found via [Find your NHS number - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

### **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 for your child to be vaccinated please email [withdrawconsentimms@berkshire.nhs.uk](mailto:withdrawconsentimms@berkshire.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 the 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/>

**For further information about self-consent please go to:**

[Consent to treatment - Children and young people - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

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

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

**\*Is your child up to date with their routine childhood vaccinations?** Vaccination saves lives and is the most important thing we can do to protect ourselves and our children against ill health. Please contact us using the details above if your child is outstanding any vaccinations.

