



# Consent for school vaccinations- Information for parents and carers.

How do I consent? Please complete our online consent form at www.nottinghamshireimmunisations.co.uk





The best way to consent for a vaccination is for a parent/ carer to complete the online consent form before the team visits your son/ daughter's school.

# Can I refuse the vaccination?

Yes, if you **do not** want your son/daughter to be vaccinated, you **must** complete the online consent form to refuse each vaccination that is offered.

# Can my son/daughter consent themselves?

If parent/carer consent has **not** been completed and no refusal has been received, your son/daughter may be given the opportunity to self-consent during the visit.

The decision to have the vaccination is legally your son/daughter's if they understand the reasons for the vaccination and the issues in giving consent. A Nurse will make an assessment to determine whether your son/daughter is able to consent to the vaccination themselves.

# The vaccination will only go ahead if the nurse is satisfied that the answer to all the following questions is 'yes':

- ✓ Parental consent has been sought through school
- ✓ No evidence of a written or e-consent refusal from parent/carer
- ✓ Young person presented for vaccination with no coercion
- ✓ Has the young person read & understood the information relating to the specific vaccine?
- ✓ Does the young person have maturity and intelligence to understand what they are consenting to and any risks/benefits of immunisation and the common side effects?
- ✓ Young person asked –have they discussed the vaccine with their parents and is their parent in agreement with vaccination?
- ✓ Has the young person made their decision without pressure?
- ✓ Nurse discussed vaccination and implications with the young person.



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# Can I withdraw my consent?

If you decide you would like to withdraw your consent you must email <u>sais@nottshc.nhs.uk</u> at least 24 hours before your schools session.

### Can my son/daughter refuse?

Yes, your son/daughter may decline the vaccination with or without parental consent. The School Aged Immunisation Service can offer information and support to ensure that young people are making an informed decision.

### What vaccinations are offered:

- Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination to protect against cervical cancer & some mouth and throat cancers (in Secondary School Years 8 and 9).
- Meningitis ACWY vaccinations (in Secondary School Year 9).
- Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio (in Secondary School Year 9).

# Where can I get more information?

Further information about the vaccinations and how to consent can be found at:

- www.nottinghamshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/school-aged-immunisation-service
- www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/

If you have any further questions or need help to complete the consent form, please contact the School Aged Immunisation Service on:





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