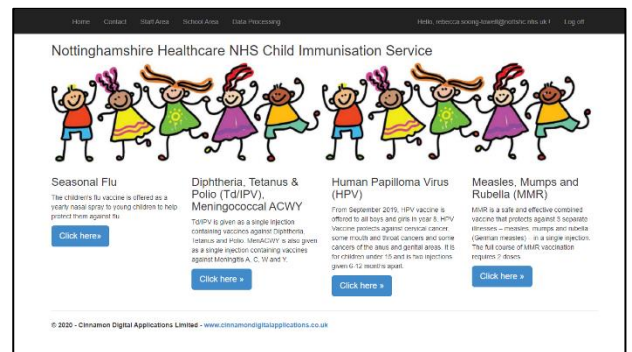




Consent for school vaccinations- Information for parents and carers.

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.




Can I withdraw my consent?

If you decide you would like to withdraw your consent you must email sais@nottshc.nhs.uk 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:

 07920182032

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