

Dear Parents/carers,

The School Aged Immunisation Team will shortly be returning into schools offering the Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccinations for all Year 9.

The HPV vaccination has 2 doses:

- 1<sup>st</sup> dose is given when the young person is 12 – 13 years old (School Year 8)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> dose is delivered around 12 months later when the young person is 13 – 14 years old (School Year 9).

The vaccination sessions take place in schools during the school day but there are also community clinic sessions available after school and on selected weekends.

The link below is for the HPV leaflet which will provide you with further information about the virus and the vaccination:

<http://bit.ly/3B2GSK5>

[The universal HPV immunisation programme \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](http://publishing.service.gov.uk)

Further information can also be found on <https://www.nhs.uk/hpv>

If you completed the online E-consent form last year and your child received their 1<sup>st</sup> dose HPV vaccination in Year 8, you will be emailed by Inhealthcare (our online E-consent provider) for you to confirm your child's details and health status. **Please look out for this email (check junk/spam folders) from Inhealthcare and complete the actions before the school session to ensure your child will be booked for their 2<sup>nd</sup> dose.**

If your child has **not received HPV 1<sup>st</sup> dose** and you would like to consent now, please use the link below or the QR code.

Your child's school code is: **144192**

<https://links.inhealthcare.co.uk/solent-portsmouth-hpv>

If this does not open, please copy hyperlink, and paste the link above into your internet browser address bar.



Please also complete the online form to opt your child out of the HPV vaccination.

**ONLY COMPLETE ONE FORM PER CHILD.** If you are unsure that you have completed a form, please check your emails for communication from InHealthcare or contact the School Age Immunisation Service.

If at any time you wish to change your consent or if your child has received an HPV vaccine at your GP or at another area, you need to contact our service to inform us and inform your child's school before the date of the school session. Please ensure that your child is aware that consent has changed.

The vaccination session in your child's school is on **26 April 2023**. The consent form must be completed by **23 April 2023** for your child to have the vaccine at the school session.

If this date has passed you can still complete the consent form and you will have the option to book into one of our community clinics. If your child is absent or is unable to have the vaccine on the day you will receive an email to book an alternative appointment.

If you have any questions or if you are unable to complete the online E-consent form, please contact the School Aged Immunisation Service:

Email: [snhs.schoolagedimmunisations-ports@nhs.net](mailto:snhs.schoolagedimmunisations-ports@nhs.net)

Telephone: [0300 123 5074](tel:03001235074)

With best wishes,  
**School Aged Immunisation Service**

For more information please visit our website: [School Aged Immunisation Team | Solent](#)

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

**Q: What is a LEA code?**

**A: Local Education Authority code identifies the school.**

**Q: Has your child received any doses of the HPV vaccine elsewhere?**

**A: Occasionally the GP may give this vaccination or they may have had it at a previous school.**

**Q: Has your child ever had a severe reaction to previous immunisations?**

**A: This is a reaction that required hospital or emergency treatment such as anaphylaxis. Fainting is not included in this.**

**Q: Is your child allergic to any ingredients in the vaccination? (Ingredients are listed on the consent form).**

**A: These are confirmed allergic reactions or undergoing testing for a reaction to any of the ingredients in the vaccine.**

**Q: Does your child have a diagnosed bleeding disorder confirmed by a medical professional?**

**A: Confirmed diagnoses from GP/hospital doctor of a condition where the blood does not clot quickly.**

**Q: Does your child have additional needs that might affect their vaccination?**

**A: The team are regularly working with children who have additional needs and are happy to provide a level of support, time and encouragement that suits their needs.**