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Dear Young Person and Parent / Carer,

### Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination to protect against various cancers

As part of the national vaccination programme, Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust's Community Immunisation Service would like to offer to all young people in school year 8 (aged 12 to 13 years) the Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination in school.

The vaccination offers protection against high risk HPV strains, including 16 and 18, which can cause cervical cancer and are linked to various cancers that can affect men. The vaccination also protects against HPV types 6 and 11 which are responsible for infections.

It is important to receive the vaccinations at this age as it gives the best protection during the teenage years and beyond.



**YES, I want to have the vaccinations**



**NO, I do not want to have the vaccinations**

#### WHICHEVER YOU DECIDE, YOU MUST LET US KNOW.

- Complete a consent form ONLINE by visiting: [www.leicsandrutlandimms.co.uk](http://www.leicsandrutlandimms.co.uk)
- Select **Human Papillomavirus**
- You will need the code for your school.
- For **Orchard Mead Academy** the school code is **LE144629**
- You will receive a confirmation email when the form is submitted.

*You can scan this QR code using your smartphone camera to go straight to our website*



**Top tip:** Ensure that the email addresses match and that there are no spaces or punctuation before or after the email address and the school code.

You will need to fully complete the consent form prior to the vaccination session. Your school will communicate this date with you.

We may temporarily close the system 1 working day before the session to allow us to prepare. The system will be reopened soon after the session.

You can change your mind at any time, please contact the team to update your decision.

If you are unable to complete this online, please ring us on 0300 300 0007 to request

support. One of our team may need to call you back in order to complete the form.

The HPV vaccination is a two dose course and will be given as an injection in the upper arm, given 6 to 12 months apart. To read the patient information leaflet about the HPV vaccination, visit: [www.tiny.cc/hpvleaflet](http://www.tiny.cc/hpvleaflet)

For information about the national vaccination programme, visit: [www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations)

The team offer the vaccination in schools. We are working closely with your child's school to ensure that all appropriate Covid safety measures are in place to ensure the safe delivery of the vaccine.

If a family member you live with is self-isolating or if you are experiencing any of the symptoms listed below on the day of the session then **please do not attend**.

- **High temperature – you feel hot to the touch on your chest or back**
- **A new continuous cough – this means you have started coughing repeatedly.**
- **A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.**

If you are absent on the day, an additional opportunity will be made available for the vaccination. **Please note this vaccine will not be routinely offered by your GP.**

We recognise that an alternative venue may need to be offered if we are unable to fully complete the vaccination session in school. The service will ensure that you are kept fully informed should this be the case.


You can watch a short animation which explains the facts about the HPV vaccine by visiting: [www.healthforteens.co.uk/health/immunisation](http://www.healthforteens.co.uk/health/immunisation) The website is also a wonderful resource for young people aged between 11-16 years and offers health advice through interesting articles, films and interactive content.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss any additional support that may be required during the vaccination you can contact the team, by telephone: 0300 300 0007, or by e-mail: [communityimmunisations.service@nhs.net](mailto:communityimmunisations.service@nhs.net)

Yours faithfully,



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## NOTES ON COMPLETING THE ONLINE CONSENT FORM

Visit: [www.leicsandrutlandimms.co.uk](http://www.leicsandrutlandimms.co.uk)

Select Human Papillomavirus by clicking the the “Click here” button next to it.

On the next screen, enter and confirm your email address

Enter your school code: LE144629 and click find school. Your school name should appear.

We may temporarily close the system the 1 working day before the session to allow us to prepare. A message will appear asking you to try again after the session.

### **Top tip:**

- To find our homepage you can also search online for “Leicester imms”
- Ensure that the email addresses match and that there are no spaces or punctuation before or after the email address and school code.

### **PART 1: Patient Information and Contact Details**

#### **PART 2: Medical History**

Complete the questions regarding vaccination history and any support required during vaccination.

#### **PART 3: Consent Declaration**

Complete this to give consent to the full course of HPV vaccinations.

**The young person may be able to consent for themselves to have this vaccination without your agreement and health professionals will assess their ability to make an informed decision.**

Once the form is completed, you will receive an automated email confirming that you have completed the consent form.

**Sharing information:** After the vaccination at school, a notification will be provided to you and the information will be added to the young person’s NHS health records.

**To translate the information on the NHS website into a different language visit:**  
<https://www.nhs.uk/about-us/health-information-in-other-languages/>