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Dear Young Person and Parent / Carer,

### Teenage booster and meningitis vaccinations programme for young people

As part of the national vaccination programme, our Community Immunisation Service would like to offer all young people in school year 9 (aged 13 to 14 years) the 3-in-1 teenage booster and meningitis vaccination in school. These routine vaccinations ensure continued protection against tetanus, diphtheria, polio (Td/IPV) and provide protection against meningitis ACWY.

According to our records you currently attend  
**Uppingham Community College**



**YES, I want to have one  
or both of the  
vaccinations**



**NO, I do not want to have  
one or both of the  
vaccinations**

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

- Visit: <https://www.leicsandrutlandimms.co.uk/Forms/DTP>
- Complete a form ONLINE.
- You will need the code for your school; the code is **LE136629**

**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 ideally at least one week before the session date.

You can change your mind at any time.

The vaccinations are given as two separate injections in the upper arm. The vaccines used in the teenage booster and meningitis vaccination programme **do NOT contain gelatine or alcohol**.

To read the patient information leaflet about the teenage booster and meningitis vaccinations, visit: [www.tiny.cc/boosterleaflet](http://www.tiny.cc/boosterleaflet)

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

Young people can find out more about these vaccinations and other health issues by visiting: [www.healthforteens.co.uk/health/immunisation](http://www.healthforteens.co.uk/health/immunisation)

If you are absent on the day we visit your school, the team will return and offer another opportunity for vaccination later in the school year. Please note these vaccines will not be routinely offered by your GP.

If you have had a tetanus, diphtheria and polio (Td/IPV) vaccination in the past 5 years you may not need this vaccination until a later date but may still need to have the meningitis vaccination. Each young person will be assessed to confirm their suitability. If you are also due to have a HPV vaccine this may be offered at the same time and it is not harmful to have all three.

A young person may be able to consent for themselves to have these vaccines without the agreement of their parent/carer. Qualified health professionals will assess their ability to make an informed decision.

Following the vaccination some post vaccination information will be emailed to you from the Community Immunisations Service and the information will be updated on the young person's NHS health record.

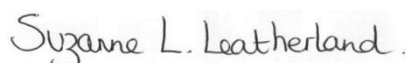
Should you have any questions or wish to discuss any additional support that may be required during the vaccination you can contact the team by telephone: 0300 300 0007 (select option 1 then option 4 then option 2) or by e-mail: [communityimms@leicspart.nhs.uk](mailto:communityimms@leicspart.nhs.uk) Call volume is high during the period we offer vaccinations and you may have to wait at peak times for your call to be answered.

*NB* Our call handling staff cannot complete the form for you over the phone. They can assist with troubleshooting access only. In the rare instance completion over the telephone is required; a nurse will complete this over the phone with you or contact the parent/carer if not available at the time of the initial phone call.

Yours faithfully,



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