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Dear Parents/Carers

### **Immunisations at Secondary School**

The national childhood immunisation programme has meant that many dangerous diseases such as tetanus, diphtheria and polio (Td/IPV) have practically disappeared in the UK. Unfortunately this is not the same for all countries and cases of these diseases continue to be seen worldwide, including Europe. Similarly immunisations for Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) and Meningitis C (MenC) have drastically reduced the number of people contracting these serious infections. Therefore it is important that we continue to immunise our children and teenagers in order to maintain the high level of protection found in the UK.

#### **MenC**

**From September 2013, a booster for Meningitis C is required for teenagers in addition to the doses your child received as a baby. This has been added to the Teenage Immunisation schedule, to extend protection against Meningitis C into early adulthood. This can be given at the same time as the Td/IPV.**

#### **Td/IPV**

Young people need a total of five doses of Td/IPV vaccine to build up and keep their immunity. These are given as follows:

- The first three doses as a baby
- The fourth dose when they were between three and five years old, before they started school
- The fifth dose is due now

#### **MMR**

This is a good time to check that 2 doses of MMR have been received. If your child has only received one dose then the School Health Nurses can give the second dose now. If your child has never received the MMR vaccine and you would like them to, they will be given one dose by the School Health Nurses and should then have a second dose at their GP/Doctors' surgery.

**Students in Year 9 will be offered their 5th dose of Tetanus, diphtheria and inactivated Polio (Td/IPV) and Meningitis C (MenC) on Wednesday 3rd December 2014, at Abingdon Boys School by a team of School Health Nurses. If your child is absent on this day they will be immunised in school on an alternative date.**

#### **Consent Form**

Please discuss and complete the consent form with your child. Every student should return the consent form to school by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November, whether or not they need the immunisations.

For further information please consult the attached information booklets '*Immunisation at secondary school*' which contains useful information about these vaccines or visit the website [www.nhs.uk/vaccinations](http://www.nhs.uk/vaccinations)

If you have any concerns please contact the School Health Nurses on the above number.

Yours sincerely,

Claire James

# Vaccination Consent Form

For Tetanus, Diphtheria / Inactivated Polio Vaccine (Td/IPV)  
Measles, Mumps & Rubella (MMR)  
Meningococcal group C disease (MenC)

PLEASE COMPLETE USING A BALLPOINT PEN

Child's Surname		Child's First Name		Date of Birth	Male/Female
Home Address			Contact telephone numbers		
Postcode					
GP Name and Address			NHS Number		
School			Tutor Group		
Severe Allergies	Medical Conditions		Regular Medication		

## Immunisation History – UK Schedule

This information is important; if you are unsure please check with your Doctor/GP surgery

### Tetanus, Diphtheria and Inactivated Polio Vaccine (Td/IPV)

In order to be fully protected your child should have received 4 Td/IPV immunisations before starting school. The 5th and final Td/IPV is now due.

- Did your child receive Td/IPV immunisations as a baby? Yes  No
- Did your child receive Td/IPV immunisation before starting primary school? Yes  No

### Meningococcal group C disease (MenC)

In order to be fully protected your child requires a MenC booster now unless they have received this immunisation after the age of 10 years.

- Has your child received a MenC immunisation in the last 4 years? Yes  No

### Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR)

Only 2 MMR immunisations are required for your child to be fully protected. These are normally given before your child starts school.

- Did your child receive their first MMR immunisation around their first birthday? Yes  No
- Did your child receive a second MMR immunisation before starting primary school? Yes  No

If you have ticked either of the 'No' boxes, please give consent below.

## Immunisation Consent

I give consent for my child to receive the following immunisations (please tick)				Name (print)			
Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio (Td/IPV)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>		Parent/Guardian			
Meningococcal group C disease (MenC)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>					
Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>					
Reason consent refused (PTO for additional space)				Signature & Date			

Thank you for completing this form, please return to school

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Vaccine	Date	Time	Site of IM injection		Vaccine Name	Batch No / Expiry Date	Immuniser (please print)	Signature
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