



Berkshire School Aged Immunisation Team Email: Eastschoolimms@berkshire.nhs.uk

Date:6<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

## COVID-19 vaccination 2<sup>nd</sup> Visit to Schools <u>for young people aged 12-16</u> (year groups 7-11) – Important information, please read below

The School immunisation team (SAIs) will be returning to your child's school from the week commencing the 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022. We will be administering:

- 1<sup>st</sup> doses of COVID-19 to any young person that has <u>never</u> received a COVID vaccine
- 2<sup>nd</sup> doses of COVID-19 to any young person that received a 1<sup>st</sup> dose at least 12 weeks prior to the school session date
- For young people considered clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV) (and have received a CEV letter) a 3<sup>rd</sup> dose of COVID-19 (8 weeks after 2<sup>nd</sup> dose)

Our main priority is to ensure that all eligible young people receive their COVID-19 vaccine safely. Therefore:

- If your child has already received a full course of COVID-19 (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> dose) please <u>DO NOT</u> complete a consent form.
- If your child requires a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> dose of the COVID-19 vaccine please ensure that you complete a new COVID vaccine electronic consent form (follow link below), ensuring that you submit this at your earliest opportunity. <u>Forms previously completed</u> <u>last term are no longer valid or in use.</u>
- Please note that consent forms MUST be completed and submitted at least two working days/48 working hours (Monday-Friday) before the planned session date (see table below). If you try to complete a consent form after this date access to the system will be unavailable and we will be unable to vaccinate your child in school.

Day of Planned session	Consent must be completed and submitted by
Monday	The Thursday before at 9am
Tuesday	The Friday before at 9am
Wednesday	The Monday before at 9am
Thursday	The Tuesday before at 9am
Friday	The Wednesday before at 9am

If after completing the consent form, your child receives the vaccination in an alternative setting and/ or has tested positive to COVID-19 with a PCR test, parents are advised to send a note to school with their child on the day of vaccination. The information must include the date of the previous vaccination and/or the date of the positive PCR test to ensure the immunisation team are aware. You must also ensure you send a note in with your child on the day of the session if you have changed your mind regarding consent.

We will be visiting your child's school (Cox Green School) on (27 January 2022). To access the consent form please click on the following link <u>Vaccination Consent</u> (berkshireimmunisations.co.uk) and use your schools unique code (BK137695) before the deadline.

## **Important information for Parents:**

Due to the potential of staff sickness and staff isolating there is a risk of the session not being able to be completed on the day. Unfortunately, this may mean your child may not be vaccinated at the planned school session.

We will attempt to complete all year groups, however if your child is not vaccinated then the following options are available to them:

- Community clinic via National Booking System
- Community clinic run by the School Aged Immunisation Team (further information to follow)

If you have any queries or have difficulty accessing the form, please contact us on 0300 365 0077 option 1 or email us <u>Eastschoolimms@berkshire.nhs.uk</u> at and we will be happy to help.

Kind Regards,

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