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Dear parent/guardian,

## Your Year 8 child's Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccine is due.

You may be aware from recent public media coverage that NHS England announced that the HPV programme is reducing from a two-dose schedule to a one dose schedule as of September 2023. This is because the Joint Committee for Vaccinations and Immunisations (JCVI) has advised that a one dose HPV schedule has shown to be just as effective as two doses at providing protection against 9 types of HPV cancers and genital warts. Please click on the following link for the full letter from NHS England and the UK Health Security Agency:

HPV vaccination programme: changes from September 2023 letter - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

## How do you let us know you want your child to have the HPV vaccination?

Please fill in one online consent form for each child, **click on the following link**:

https://www.bradfordschoolimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/HPV

## The code for your child's school is **BF145173**

<u>Important:</u> Please fill the online consent in as soon as you can to ensure your child gets vaccinated at the earliest opportunity.

Even if you do not want your child to be vaccinated, please complete the form to let us know. Session will commence in school w/c 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024.

#### What if my child is absent?

If your child is away from school on the day, we will be offering catch up sessions throughout the year. Alternatively, please contact us to book a clinic appointment.

We have also included the opportunity to consent for the MMR vaccination/s if your child is not up to date. Your child should have received 2 doses to be fully protected. If you're unsure we recommend you give consent, and we will check your child's health record prior to vaccination.

Call us on **01274 221269** if you have any problems or questions. The team will be happy to help.

Yours sincerely,

**School Aged Immunisation Service** 

Chair: Cathy Elliott Chief Executive: Therese Patten



# **Further information:**

# **HPV Information leaflet**

Immunisations for young people - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Please click on the following links for further guidance, language translation information and information for Immunisation for young people:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/vaccine-update-issue-339-june-2023-hpv-special-edition/vaccine-update-issue-339-june-2023-hpv-special.

### **MMR information leaflet**

MMR vaccination (publishing.service.gov.uk)

# <u>Websites</u>

#### Our website

https://www.betterliveshealthyfuturesbw.nhs.uk/learning\_resource/school-immunisation-team-bradford/

#### NHS

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/hpv-human-papillomavirus-vaccine/ https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/mmr-vaccine/