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Dear Parents/Carers

Restart of School Aged Immunisation Programme – Meningitis and DTP Vaccinations

We are pleased that NHS England has decided to recommence the school aged immunisation programme now that we are emerging from the first wave of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Owing to social distancing measures and the phased return of students to schools, we cannot offer the usual school-based service for our young people. Therefore, we are offering every year 9 young person the opportunity to attend a community clinic to receive the vaccines that have been missed during the Covid19 closure of schools. It is important that you take up this opportunity, however, if you are unable to find a suitable appointment, please do not worry, we will have more appointments available in September and we can try to catch up with your son/daughter in school, during the next academic year.

The community clinic appointments will be run under strict social distancing measures, so an appointment system is essential. The correct precautions will be taken by our staff. One parent or carer only is required to attend with the young person so that consent can be given. Please ensure that the person attending has legal Parental Responsibility. We ask that the young person and accompanying adult wears a face-covering when entering the clinic area as per Public Health England guidance and wears short-sleeves or a vest to ensure dignity. Please do not arrive before your allotted appointment time.

PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND IF YOU OR THE CHILD/YOUNG PERSON HAS COVID-19 SYMPTOMS. IF YOUR CHILD HAS ALREADY HAD THESE VACCINATIONS YOU DO NOT NEED TO BOOK AN APPOINTMENT.

If you previously submitted consent electronically for Meningitis ACWY or the Teenage Booster, this will be disregarded this year.

To make an appointment please follow this link:

<https://immunisation-oe.nhs.uk>

For further information, please email:

ccs-tr.cambsimmsteam@nhs.net

Yours faithfully

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