Introduction

This information is aimed to support local practices in understanding school aged immunisations, which have changed considerably over the past few years. This information includes:

- An overview of arrangements in your local area
- A practice checklist to help understand your responsibilities
- A childhood flu pathway
- A HPV pathway
- A MenACWY pathway
- A Td/IPV pathway
- Birth dates and year groups
- Useful links and contacts

We hope you find this information useful and clear: if you have any comments, suggestions or queries please contact the South West Screening and Immunisations Team on england.swscreeningandimms@nhs.net

Overview of school aged immunisations

From September 2018 the following immunisations will be delivered by the school age immunisation provider:

- Influenza: Reception to year 5
- HPV dose 1: Year 8 girls
- HPV dose 2: Year 9 girls
- MenACWY: Year 9
- Td/IPV: Year 9
GP checklist

☐ Check that all data on immunisations delivered by the school age immunisation provider that has been sent to you has been uploaded onto your GP practice patient records.

☐ Check that all data on immunisations you have given in your practice has been sent to the Child Health (CHIS) team. This includes any vaccination from the routine schedule given as a travel vaccination. If you are unsure, send it again or contact the Child Health (CHIS) team to discuss this with them.

☐ You will receive a summary report in September 2018 of any year 10 students who have any routine immunisations outstanding. These children will receive a letter from CHIS asking them to make an appointment with their GP practice.

☐ Review how young people are invited for vaccinations at your surgery and whether this meets their needs. Points to consider:

- Are the sessions outside of school hours?
- Can the young people get to your surgery for the appointments?
- Consider evening or weekend sessions for parents to be able to attend appointments too.
- Are you sending patient information leaflets (PILs) to ensure young people are aware of what they are being invited for?
- Are you using text messaging reminders?

☐ Make sure you are promoting school aged immunisations through leaflets, posters and through links on your website.
### Flu Vaccine Eligibility for Children in 2018/2019

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| Under 2 years of age | **Universal programme:** No. Only at risk children offered vaccination.  
**At risk children:** LAIV is not licenced for children under 2 years of age. At risk children over six months of age to be offered suitable quadrivalent inactivated flu vaccine (QIV). | **General Practice** |
| Aged 2 – 3 years old (Born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2016) | **Universal programme:** All 2 and 3 year olds offered LAIV.  
Children who turn two after 31 August 2018 are not eligible.  
Children who were three on 31 August 2018 and turn four afterwards, are still eligible.  
**At risk children:** Offer LAIV. If child is contraindicated (or it is otherwise unsuitable), then offer suitable quadrivalent inactivated flu vaccine (QIV). | **General Practice** |
| Aged 4 – 9 years old: (Born between 1 September 2008 and 31 August 2014) | **Universal programme:** All primary school years from reception class to year 5* offered LAIV.  
**At risk children:** Offer LAIV. If child is contraindicated (or it is otherwise unsuitable), then offer suitable quadrivalent inactivated flu vaccine (QIV).  
**At risk children** will be offered vaccination in general practice if the school session is late in the season, parents prefer it, or they missed the school session. Schools will not offer inactivated vaccines to at risk children in whom LAIV is contraindicated. | **School & General Practice** |
| Aged 10 years old to less than 18 years | **Universal programme:** No. Only at risk children offered vaccination.  
**At risk children:** Offered LAIV. If contraindicated (or it is otherwise unsuitable), then offer suitable quadrivalent inactivated flu vaccine (QIV). | **General Practice** |
**Vaccination process for HPV**

**Year 7 or younger** children will not be offered vaccination until they reach Year 8 where they will be offered vaccination by the school aged immunisation provider.

**Year 8** children will be invited to attend a vaccination session for their first HPV dose using information from CHIS. If they miss this session they will be invited to a mop-up session by the school aged immunisation provider.

- Child misses HPV
- Child attends session and receives HPV
- Information passed to CHIS

Any year 8 child who misses HPV will be called to a mop-up session run by the school aged immunisation team. If a child can’t be vaccinated by the immunisation team they can receive vaccination at their GP practice.

**Year 9** will be invited to attend a vaccination session for their second dose using information from CHIS. If they miss this session they will be invited to a mop-up session by the school aged immunisation team. If a girl has received no HPV vaccines the school aged immunisation provider will try to deliver both doses during Year 9.

- Child misses HPV
- Child attends session and receives HPV
- Information passed to CHIS

Any year 9 child who misses HPV vaccination will be called to a mop-up session run by the school aged immunisations team. If a child can’t be vaccinated by the immunisation team they can receive vaccination at their GP practice.

**Year 10 and older** children will receive no further invitations from the school aged immunisation providers. It is the responsibility of GP surgeries to opportunistically complete any incomplete HPV schedules.
Vaccination process for Men ACWY

Children from age 10 are not normally eligible for MenACWY until they reach Year 9 where this will be offered. However there may be circumstances where young people require this before year 9.

Has the child ever received a dose of MenC conjugate vaccine?

- Yes: Explain child will be offered vaccination in school Year 9
- No: GP Practice to vaccinate with Men ACWY

Information passed to CHIS

Any child who misses MenACWY should be referred back to school aged immunisation team. If child can’t be vaccinated by the school aged immunisation team they can receive vaccination at their GP practice.

- Child attends session and receives Men ACWY: Information passed to CHIS
- Child misses Men ACWY: Year 9 children will be invited to attend a vaccination session using information from CHIS. If they miss this session they will be invited to a mop-up session by the school aged immunisation team.

Year 10 to Year 13 children should have already been offered MenACWY vaccination

Has the child received a dose of MenACWY conjugate since the age of 10?

- Yes: Child is up to date with vaccinations and does not need another dose of MenACWY.
- No: GP Practice to vaccinate with Men ACWY

Information passed to CHIS
Older groups eligible through opportunistic vaccination

• All individuals under 25 years who have never received a dose of MenC conjugate vaccine are eligible to receive MenACWY vaccination.
• Freshers students starting university for the first time in 2018 (up to the age of 25) should be vaccinated opportunistically. They are eligible to receive MenACWY in general practice if they have not received a dose of MenACWY conjugate since the age of 10.
• Freshers students entering university for the first time who are older than 25 years of age are eligible to receive MenACWY if they have never had a dose of MenC conjugate vaccine.

Note: Vaccinations for over 25 year olds are not covered by MenACWY PGD and a PSD is needed
Vaccination process for Td/IPV (Teenage Booster)

**Year 8 or younger** children should not be routinely offered vaccination until they reach Year 9 where this will be offered by the school age immunisation team. Td/IPV should ideally be given 10 years after the first booster (around 13 years 4 months). However, there may be circumstances where young people require this before year 9.

1. **No** → Explain child will be offered vaccination in school Year 9
2. **Yes**
   - Is there a reason that the child should receive vaccination before the school age offer is made in Year 9 (e.g., travel)?
   - **No** → GP Practice to Vaccinate with Td/IPV
   - **Yes** → Pass information to CHIS

**Year 9** children will be invited to attend a vaccination session using information from CHIS. If they miss this session they will be invited to a mop-up session by the school aged immunisation team.

1. Child misses Td/IPV
   - **Child attends session and receives Td/IPV**
   - **Information passed to CHIS**
2. Any year 9 child who misses Td/IPV should be referred back to the school aged immunisation team. If a child can’t be vaccinated by the immunisation team they can receive vaccination at their GP practice.

**Any older children, young people or adults** who have missed any doses of Td/IPV should be vaccinated opportunistically in general practice.

## Date of births and year groups for 2018/19 academic year

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Useful links

Training
MenB and MenACWY programmes: a video training guide for healthcare professionals

Immunisation and vaccination training update via e-learning:

Resources
Meningococcal leaflets, consent forms, information for healthcare practitioners and other MenACWY-specific materials
https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/meningococcal-acwymenacw-vaccination-programme

MenACWY GP invitation letter template.

HPV and MenACWY leaflets and posters, and the immunisations for young people leaflet (which includes information on Td/IPV can be ordered from www.orderline.dh.gov.uk/

Supporting guidance
Meningococcal ACWY Immunisation Programme for Adolescents: Information for healthcare professionals (July 2016)


Meningitis Research Foundation: http://www.meningitis.org

Financial information
Full practice payment information can be found on the NHS Employers website

Data
Uptake data for MenACWY for the main cohort can be found on Immform
https://portal.immform.dh.gov.uk/

PGDs
Can be accessed via the NHS England South (South West) website
https://www.england.nhs.uk/south/info-professional/pgd/south-west/downloads/
Contacts
Screening and Immunisations Team: england.swscreeningandimms@nhs.net

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