

# Bath & North East Somerset, Swindon & Wiltshire (BSW) School Aged Immunisation Pathways for the 2021/22 academic year

## Introduction

This information aims to support local practices in understanding the school aged immunisations programme for the 2021/22 academic year, including any changes to the schedule. 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](mailto:england.swscreeningandimms@nhs.net).

## COVID-19

During the 2020/21 academic year, due to the impact of COVID-19 and school closures, the school aged immunisation provider offered catch-up doses of MenACWY, Td/IPV and HPV to those cohorts that missed their scheduled doses in the 2019/20 academic year. Recovery activity has now been completed, and the provider will return to business as usual activity for the 2021/22 academic year. Further details are provided below.

## Overview of School Aged Immunisations

From September 2021, the following immunisations will be delivered by the school aged immunisation provider:

- Influenza: Reception up to Year 11 in mainstream schools, and reception up to but not including 18 years old in special schools
- HPV dose 1: Year 8 girls and boys
- HPV dose 2: Year 9 girls and boys
- Men ACWY: Year 9
- Td/IPV: Year 9

Across BSW the school aged immunisation provider will continue to follow up all secondary aged children who have missed any vaccinations at school until they leave in year 11. Every effort will be taken to vaccinate children in school or alternatively appointments will be offered in community clinics.

# B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire school aged immunisation clinic schedule

The community clinic schedule for the B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire school aged immunisations provider is available at the end of this document and on the school aged immunisation provider's website: <https://wiltshirechildrensservices.co.uk/immunisation-service/>

## GP Checklist

- Check that all data on immunisations delivered by the school aged immunisation provider that has been sent to you has been uploaded onto your GP practice patient records. If practices are on System One, data from immunisations given in school / community clinics will be automatically uploaded.**
  
- 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.
  
- 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.**

# Which flu vaccine should children and young people have?

There are 3 types of flu vaccine available for children and young people in 2021 to 2022 – the nasal spray live attenuated influenza vaccine (LAIV), the injected inactivated egg grown influenza vaccine (QIVe) and the injected inactivated cell grown influenza vaccine (QIVc). This chart indicates which vaccine they should have.

## What is the child or young person's age?

**under 6 months of age**

Under 6 months of age they are too young to have the flu vaccine (this is why it is important that expectant mothers have a flu vaccination; pregnant women can have the flu vaccine at any stage of their pregnancy)

**6 months to under 2 years**

Are they in an at-risk group?

**Yes**

They should have the injected inactivated quadrivalent influenza vaccine QIVe (egg-grown). Children in this age group who have never had a flu vaccination will need 2 doses 4 weeks apart

**No**

They are not eligible for the flu vaccine

**2 years to less than 16 years of age<sup>(i)</sup>**

Reception class to school year 11

Is the nasal spray vaccine contraindicated or otherwise unsuitable?

**Yes**

They should have the injected Quadrivalent influenza vaccine cell grown (QIVc)<sup>(ii)(iii)</sup>. Children aged up to 9 years in an at-risk group who have never had a flu vaccination will need 2 doses 4 weeks apart

**No**

They should have the nasal spray vaccine

**16 years to less than 18 years of age**

Are they in an at-risk group?

**Yes**

Is the nasal spray vaccine contraindicated or otherwise unsuitable?<sup>(iii)</sup>

**Yes**

They should have the injected Quadrivalent influenza vaccine cell-grown (QIVc)

**No**

They should have the nasal spray vaccine

**No**

They are not eligible for the flu vaccine

(i) • Aged 2 and 3 years on 31 August 2021  
 • School aged children from Reception Year up to Year 11 (aged 4 to 15 years on 31 August 2021). Children outside these age ranges (for example, a child has been held back a year) may be vaccinated with their peers  
 (ii) This season QIVc (and not QIVe) has been procured for this group  
 (iii) If the parent of an eligible child declines LAIV because of its porcine gelatine content (and they understand that it is the most effective vaccine for children), they can request an alternative injectable vaccine. QIVc is available to order from ImmForm for these children

## Resources

**Annual flu programme**  
[www.gov.uk/government/collections/annual-flu-programme](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/annual-flu-programme)

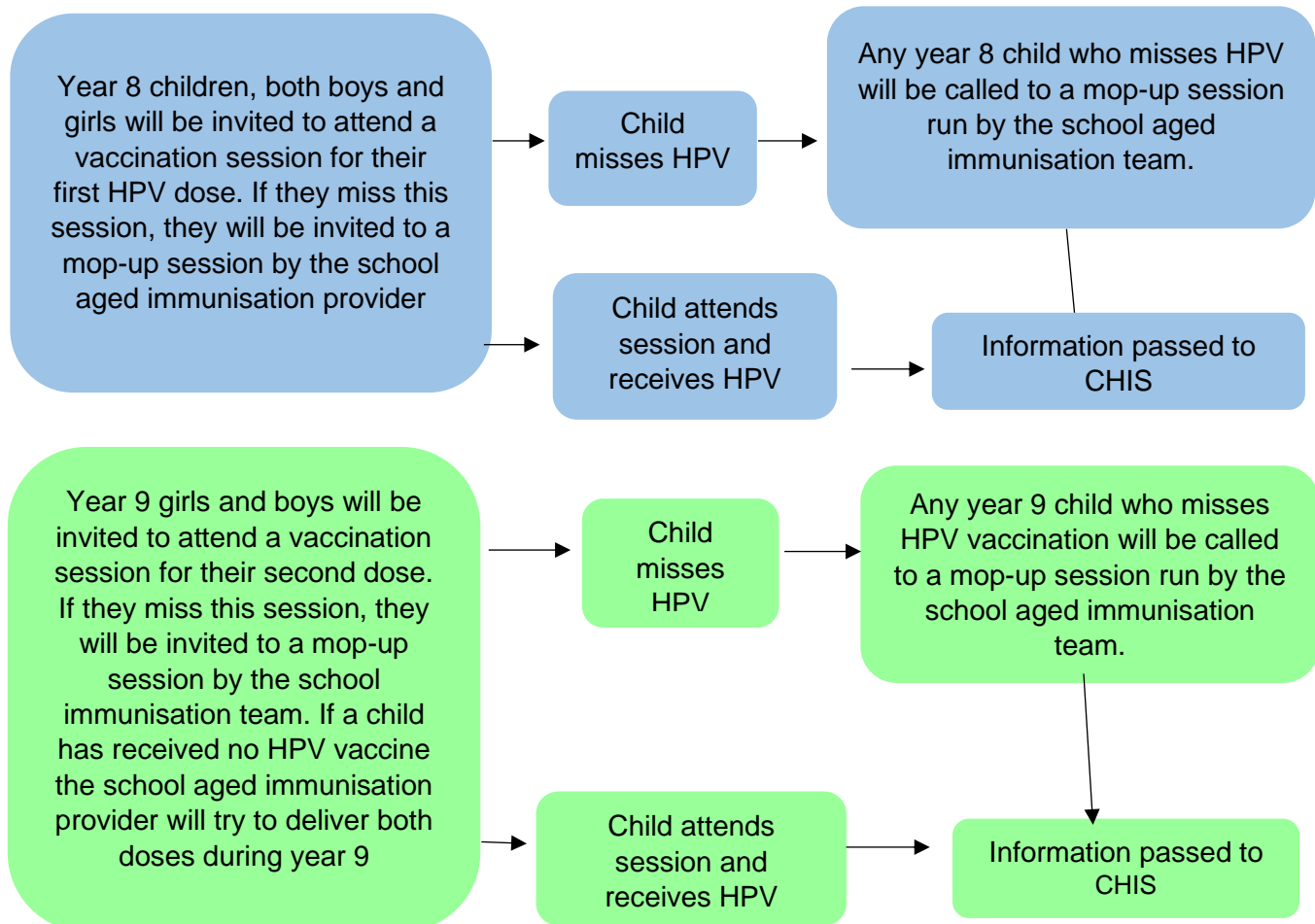
**Green Book Influenza Chapter 19**  
[www.gov.uk/government/publications/influenza-the-green-book-chapter-19](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/influenza-the-green-book-chapter-19)



# Vaccination Process for HPV

(see page 1 for COVID-19 catch-up cohort details)

The vaccine will be offered to girls and boys in school year 8 (12 to 13-year olds) as part of the school-aged immunisation programme from 1 September 2021.

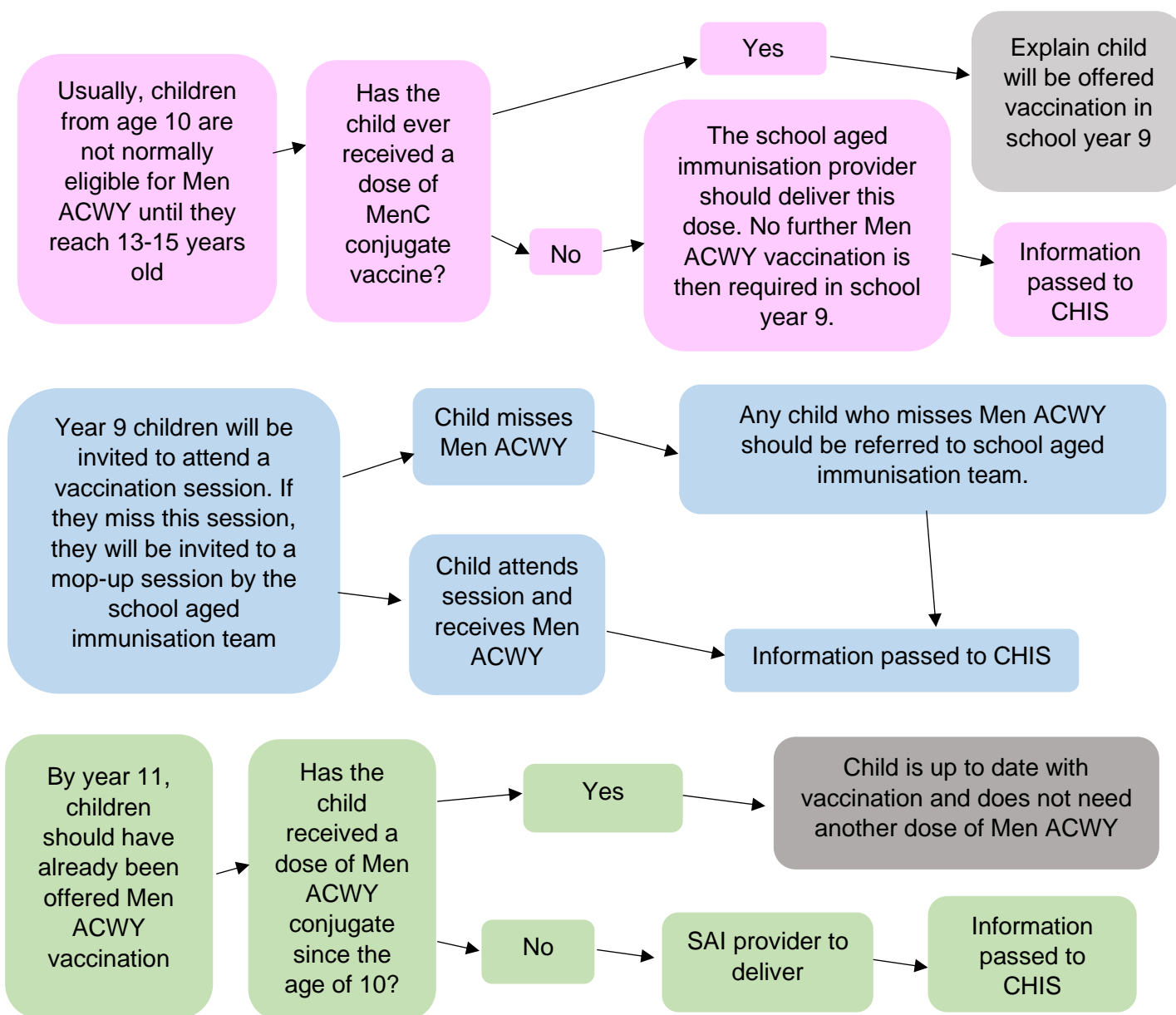


The school aged immunisation provider will deliver any outstanding HPV doses up until Year 11 or a child turns 16. **The GP will be responsible for delivery of missed vaccinations in Year 11 students and older.**

GP practices can provide HPV vaccinations to adolescent girls and boys who have attained the age of 14 years but who have not attained the age of 25 years who have missed vaccination under the schools programme. Please note that vaccination of boys commenced in 2019/20 without a catch-up programme, therefore GPs should only vaccinate boys born on or after 1<sup>st</sup> September 2006.

**NOTE: Those starting the vaccination on or after the age of 15 years will require three doses of vaccine to complete the course.**

# Vaccination Process for Meningitis ACWY



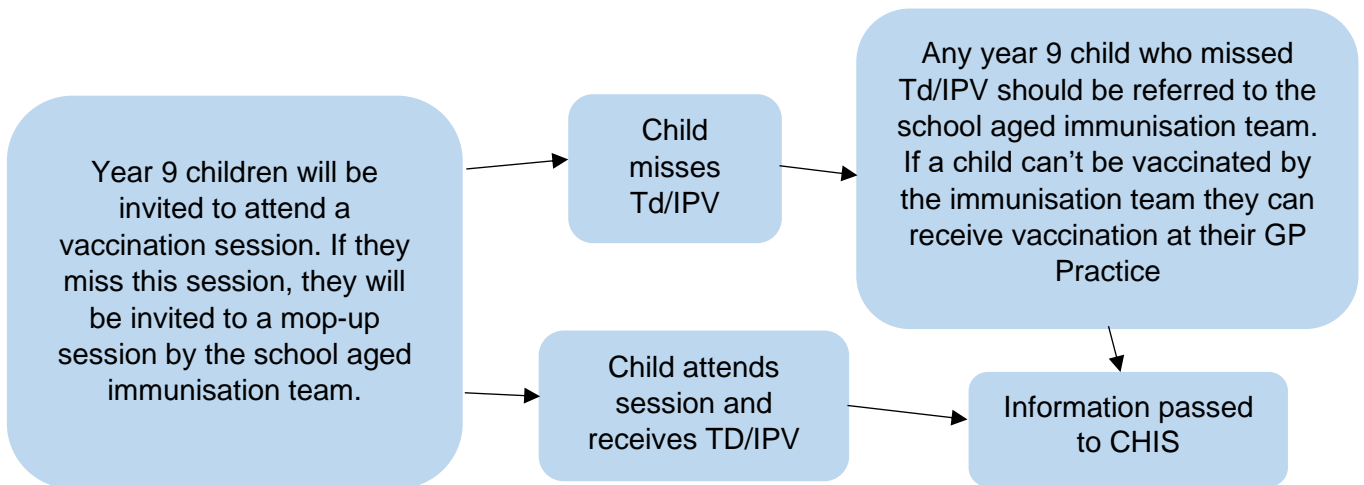
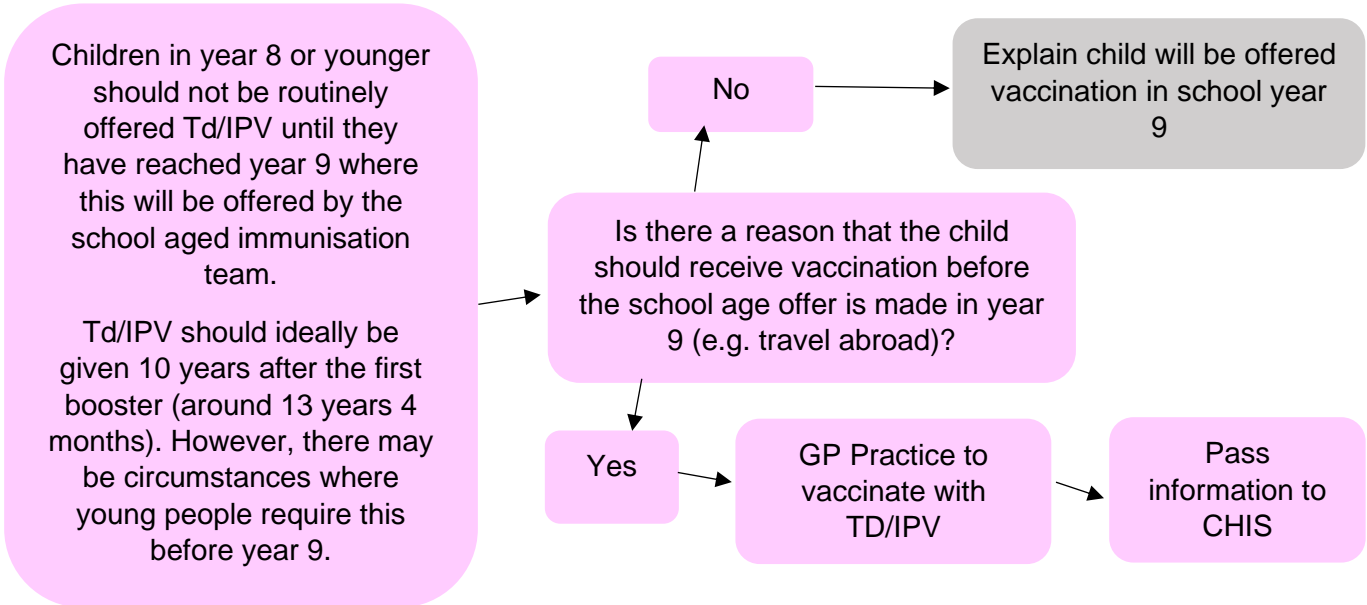
## Older groups eligible through opportunistic vaccination

Men ACWY vaccination should be offered by GP practices to eligible young adults aged 17 or older on an opportunistic basis or who self-present at the GP practice; unless immunisation is contraindicated.

Eligible patients must be under the age of 25 years at the time of vaccination and include:

1. those attending university/further education for the first time at the time of vaccination;
2. those aged 19 years on 31 August 2021;
3. those eligible from August 2015 remain eligible up to the day before their 25th birthday;
4. those vaccinated at any time during the period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022.

# Vaccination Process for Td/IPV (Teenage Booster)



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

Please refer to the **Green Book** and the **incomplete vaccination schedule** for further information.

## Date of births and year groups for 2021/22 academic year

School Year	Date of birth	Age
Reception	01.09.16 – 31.08.17	4 to 5
Year 1	01.09.15 – 31.08.16	5 to 6
Year 2	01.09.14 – 31.08.15	6 to 7
Year 3	01.09.13 - 31.08.14	7 to 8
Year 4	01.09.12 - 31.08.13	8 to 9
Year 5	01.09.11 - 31.08.12	9 to 10
Year 6	01.09.10 – 31.08.11	10 to 11
Year 7	01.09.09 – 31.08.10	11 to 12
Year 8	01.09.08 – 31.08.09	12 to 13
Year 9	01.09.07 – 31.08.08	13 to 14
Year 10	01.09.06 - 31.08.07	14 to 15
Year 11	01.09.05 – 31.08.06	15 to 16
Year 12	01.09.04 - 31.08.05	16 to 17
Year 13	01.09.03 - 31.08.04	17 to 18



## Useful Contacts

South West Screening & Immunisation Team:  
[england.swscreeningandimms@nhs.net](mailto:england.swscreeningandimms@nhs.net)

Bath & North East Somerset, Swindon & Wiltshire Child Health Information Service (CHIS):

Provider	Address	Contact number	Contact email / website
Virgin Care Ltd (Wiltshire)	Wiltshire Children's Community Services, 1st Floor Technology House, Unit 10 High Post Business Park, SP4 6AT	03333 3470092	Email: <a href="mailto:vcl.wiltshirechildhealth@nhs.net">vcl.wiltshirechildhealth@nhs.net</a> Website: <a href="http://www.virgincare.co.uk">www.virgincare.co.uk</a>
South Central West Commissioning Support Service (B&NES & Swindon)	Civic Annexe 1st Floor Euclid Street Swindon SN1 2JH	01793 466511	Email: B&NES: <a href="mailto:banes.chis@nhs.net">banes.chis@nhs.net</a> Swindon: <a href="mailto:scwcsu.childhealth@nhs.net">scwcsu.childhealth@nhs.net</a> Website: <a href="http://www.scwcsu.nhs.uk">www.scwcsu.nhs.uk</a>

Bath & North East Somerset, Swindon & Wiltshire school aged immunisation provider:

Provider	Address	Contact number	Contact email / website
Virgin Care Ltd	Wiltshire Children's Community Services, 1st Floor Technology House, Unit 10 High Post Business Park, SP4 6AT	0300 247 0082	Email: <a href="mailto:Vcl.immunisations@nhs.net">Vcl.immunisations@nhs.net</a> Website: <a href="https://wiltshirechildrensservices.co.uk/immunisation-service/">https://wiltshirechildrensservices.co.uk/immunisation-service/</a>

## Useful links

### Training

- [Men B and Men ACWY programmes: a video training guide for healthcare professionals](#) (PHE, last updated September 2015)
- [Immunisation and vaccination training update via e-learning](#) (Skills for Health)

### Resources

- [Meningococcal leaflets, consent forms, information for healthcare practitioners and other Men ACWY-specific materials](#) (PHE)
- [Meningococcal ACWY Immunisation Programme for Adolescents: Information for healthcare professionals](#) (PHE, last updated June 2020)
- [Men ACWY GP invitation letter template](#) (PHE, last updated August 2016)
- HPV and Men ACWY leaflets and posters, and the immunisations for young people leaflet (which includes information on Td/IPV) can be ordered from: <https://www.healthpublications.gov.uk/Home.html>
- [HPV vaccination Information for healthcare practitioners](#) (PHE, June 2019)

### Supporting guidance

- [Immunisation against infectious disease \(Green Book\)](#) (PHE, September 2013)
- [Meningitis Research Foundation](#)
- [Meningitis Now](#)

### Financial information

- Full vaccination and immunization practice payment information can be found on the [NHS Employers website](#)

### Data

- Uptake data for HPV, Men ACWY and Td/IPV for the main cohorts can be found on the [ImmForm website](#)

### PGDs

- PGDs can be accessed via the [NHS England South \(South West\) website](#)

# B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire School Aged Immunisation Community Clinic Schedule 2021/22

Please note that the flu clinic schedule is subject to change. For information on school clinics, please contact the provider directly on **0300 247 0082**. Parents that would like to have their child/children vaccinated must book to attend these clinics by calling the number above.