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.

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 Gloucestershire 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.
Gloucestershire school aged immunisation clinic schedule

Please note that the school clinic schedule is shared by Gloucestershire CCG to all GP practices and will be available on the school aged immunisation provider’s website: https://www.ghc.nhs.uk/our-teams-and-services/immunisation/

The 2021/22 school flu catch-up clinic dates are available at the end of this document.

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.

☐ 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 bi-monthly report from CHIS detailing any outstanding immunisations for children and young people aged 6–19.

☐ 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.

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

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<td>Under 6 months of age</td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td>6 months to under 2 years</td>
<td>They are not eligible for the flu vaccine</td>
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<td>2 years to less than 16 years of age</td>
<td>They should have the injected quadrivalent influenza vaccine cell grown (QIVc). 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.</td>
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**Resources**

- **Annual flu programme**

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(1) Aged 2 and 3 years on 31 August 2021.
(2) 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.
(3) This season QIVc and not QIVe has been procured for this group.
(4) If the parent of an eligible child declines LAIV because of its porcine gelatin 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 Tafenform for these children.
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.

Year 8 children, both boys and girls will be invited to attend a vaccination session for their first HPV dose. If they miss this session, they will be invited to a mop-up session by the school aged immunisation provider.

Any year 8 child who misses HPV will be called to a mop-up session run by the school aged immunisation team.

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 HPV 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 1st 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)

Children in year 8 or younger should not be routinely offered Td/IPV until they have reached year 9 where this will be offered by the school aged 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.

Is there a reason that the child should receive vaccination before the school age offer is made in year 9 (e.g. travel abroad)?

Yes → GP Practice to vaccinate with Td/IPV → Pass information to CHIS

No → Explain child will be offered vaccination in school year 9

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

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Useful Contacts

South West Screening & Immunisation Team: 
england.swscreeningandimms@nhs.net

Gloucestershire Child Health Information Service (CHIS):

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<td>South Central West Commissioning Support Service</td>
<td>Civic Annexe 1st Floor Euclid Street Swindon SN1 2JH</td>
<td>01793 466511</td>
<td>Email: <a href="mailto:chis.gloucester@nhs.net">chis.gloucester@nhs.net</a> Website: <a href="http://www.scwcsu.nhs.uk">www.scwcsu.nhs.uk</a></td>
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<td>Gloucestershire Health and Care NHS Foundation Trust</td>
<td>Edward Jenner Court, 1010 Gloucester Business Park, Pioneer Avenue, Brockworth, Gloucester GL3 4AW</td>
<td>0300 421 8140</td>
<td>Email: <a href="mailto:GHC.Immunisation@ghc.nhs.uk">GHC.Immunisation@ghc.nhs.uk</a> Website: <a href="https://www.ghc.nhs.uk/our-teams-and-services/immunisation/">https://www.ghc.nhs.uk/our-teams-and-services/immunisation/</a></td>
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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
Gloucestershire School Flu Immunisation Catch-up Clinics

Throughout October, November and December Gloucestershire Health and Care NHS Foundation Trust is offering appointments at Community Clinics across the county for all Children aged Reception through to Year 11 to catch up on their Nasal Flu Vaccines

Please note that all community clinics are by appointment only. Additional dates are constantly being added. If you’re unable to attend any of the above clinics please contact the immunisation team, who will endeavour to make alternative arrangements. For further information, or to book an appointment, call the immunisation team on 0300 421 8140.

Saturday 16th October
Gloucester North Fire Station
Cheltenham Road East,
Gloucester
GL3 1AF

Monday 25th October
Gloucester North Fire Station
Cheltenham Road East,
Gloucester
GL3 1AF

Monday 25th October
Lydney Outpatients Hospital (x1)
Grove Road
Lydney
GL15 5JE

Tuesday 26th October
Treetops Children and Family Centre
School Road
Dursley
GL11 4NZ

Wednesday 27th October
Dilke Outpatients Hospital (x2)
Speech House Road,
Cinderford
GL14 3HX

Wednesday 27th October
Cirencester Quern Outpatients (x 2)
Tetbury Road
Cirencester,
GL7 1UY

Thursday 28th October
Cheltenham Uckington Fire Station
Tewkesbury Road
Cheltenham
GL51 9TZ

Thursday 28th October
Fairford Outpatients Department, (x2)
Fairford Hospital
Fairford
GL7 4BB
Friday 29th October
Gloucester North Fire Station
Cheltenham Road East,
Gloucester
GL3 1AF

Saturday 13th November
Gloucester North Fire Station
Cheltenham Road East,
Gloucester
GL3 1AF

Saturday 11th December
Gloucester North Fire Station
Cheltenham Road East
Gloucester
GL3 1AF

Tuesday 21st December
Cheltenham Uckington Fire Station
Tewkesbury Road
Cheltenham
GL51 9TZ

Thursday 23rd December
Cheltenham Uckington Fire Station
Tewkesbury Road
Cheltenham
GL51 9TZ

Tuesday 28th December
Cheltenham Uckington Fire Station
Tewkesbury Road
Cheltenham
GL51 9TZ

Saturday 15th January
Cheltenham Uckington Fire Station
Tewkesbury Road
Cheltenham GL51 9TZ

Saturday 20th November
Cheltenham Uckington Fire Station
Tewkesbury Road
Cheltenham
GL51 9TZ

Saturday 20th November
Cheltenham Uckington Fire Station
Tewkesbury Road
Cheltenham
GL51 9TZ

Saturday 18th December
Cheltenham Uckington Fire Station
Tewkesbury Road
Cheltenham
GL51 9TZ

Thursday 23rd December (requested x 1)
Lydney Hospital
Grove Road
Lydney
GL15 5JE