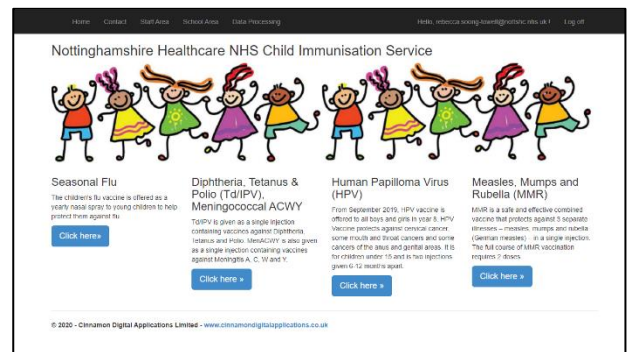




## Consent for school vaccinations- Information for parents and carers.

### How do I consent?

Please complete our online consent form at [www.nottinghamshireimmunisations.co.uk](http://www.nottinghamshireimmunisations.co.uk)



The best way to consent for a vaccination is for a parent/ carer to complete the online consent form before the team visits your son/ daughter's school.

### Can I refuse the vaccination?

Yes, if you **do not** want your son/daughter to be vaccinated, you **must** complete the online consent form to refuse each vaccination that is offered.

### Can my son/daughter consent themselves?

If parent/carer consent has **not** been completed and no refusal has been received, your son/daughter may be given the opportunity to self-consent during the visit.

The decision to have the vaccination is legally your son/daughter's if they understand the reasons for the vaccination and the issues in giving consent. A Nurse will make an assessment to determine whether your son/daughter is able to consent to the vaccination themselves.

The vaccination will only go ahead if the nurse is satisfied that the answer to all the following questions is 'yes':

- ✓ Parental consent has been sought through school
- ✓ No evidence of a written or e-consent refusal from parent/carer
- ✓ Young person presented for vaccination with no coercion
- ✓ Has the young person read & understood the information relating to the specific vaccine?
- ✓ Does the young person have maturity and intelligence to understand what they are consenting to and any risks/benefits of immunisation and the common side effects?
- ✓ Young person asked –have they discussed the vaccine with their parents and is their parent in agreement with vaccination?
- ✓ Has the young person made their decision without pressure?

- ✓ Nurse discussed vaccination and implications with the young person.




### Can I withdraw my consent?

If you decide you would like to withdraw your consent you must email [sais@nottshc.nhs.uk](mailto:sais@nottshc.nhs.uk) at least 24 hours before your schools session.

### Can my son/daughter refuse?

Yes, your son/daughter may decline the vaccination with or without parental consent. The School Aged Immunisation Service can offer information and support to ensure that young people are making an informed decision.

### What vaccinations are offered:


-  **Human Papillomavirus (HPV)** vaccination to protect against cervical cancer & some mouth and throat cancers (in Secondary School Years 8 and 9).
-  **Meningitis ACWY** vaccinations (in Secondary School Year 9).
-  **Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio** (in Secondary School Year 9).

### Where can I get more information?

Further information about the vaccinations and how to consent can be found at:

- [www.nottinghamshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/school-aged-immunisation-service](http://www.nottinghamshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/school-aged-immunisation-service)
- [www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/)

If you have any further questions or need help to complete the consent form, please contact the School Aged Immunisation Service on:

 07920182032

 [sais@nottshc.nhs.uk](mailto:sais@nottshc.nhs.uk)