



## School Age Childhood Flu Immunisation Programme 2018/19 Reception and Years 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5

Dear Parent/Carer

The school-based nasal flu vaccination programme helps protect your child against flu. Flu can be a dangerous illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Your child is entitled to the vaccination free, from the NHS.

## Please access and submit the Consent Form

https://tinyurl.com/y92trlv4

The consent form portal will close on: 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018

There is an option to decline the vaccination

## PLEASE NOTE:

- If your child has **severe asthma** and/or takes high dose inhaled steroids or steroid tablets, (or requires the injectable vaccine) please arrange to have the vaccination at your GPs.
- After you have submitted your consent, please let us know if your child has taken steroid tablets because
  of their asthma in the two weeks before to the vaccination, or if their asthma medication has been
  increased.
- If your child is wheezy with asthma on the day of the vaccination, please inform the school.
- The vaccine contains **gelatine**; there is no suitable alternative for healthy children.
- If your child is **absent** on the day of the vaccinations, a second attempt will be made to offer the vaccination to your child, usually in a clinic setting.
- Your consent will be valid for the flu immunisation school session. If your child receives the vaccine
  elsewhere, or you wish to withdraw your consent, please contact us.

## THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE PERSON WITH <u>LEGAL</u> PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CHILD (EITHER BIRTH PARENT OR AGREED THROUGH COURT).

Further information can be found in the attached leaflet, or online <u>here</u>. The medical information can be accessed <u>here</u>, a child-friendly film can be viewed <u>here</u>.

We provide this service to help protect the health of your child as part of our public task as a health service provider. Your child's school has provided us with your contact details. We will update your child's electronic health record and notify your GP of the immunisation.

We may contact you via SMS; if you do not wish to be contacted via text, please let us know.

If you require further advice or information, please contact the School Immunisation Team:

Tel: 0300 555 5055

Email: ccs-tr.cambsimmsteam@nhs.net

We value your views on our service. Please leave your feedback here or scan this QR code:

Yours faithfully

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