

## Ely College

### Meningitis ACWY and Tetanus, Diphtheria & Polio Vaccinations

The Meningitis ACWY vaccine is available to year 9 students as a result of a continuing increase in the number of cases of Meningococcal W (MenW) disease over recent years. At the same time as receiving this vaccination, your child will receive their final, routine 'teenage booster' of Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio. One injection will be given in each arm.

Older teenagers and young adults are at risk of getting meningitis (inflammation of the lining of the brain) and septicemia (blood poisoning) from MenW. Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio are serious diseases that can affect the nervous system, breathing and heart.

The most common mild side effects of the vaccinations include redness, tenderness or swelling at the injection site, fever, fatigue, nausea, muscle aches or headache. Paracetamol may be given to ease a fever or discomfort resulting from a vaccination.

Please complete the vaccination form <https://tinyurl.com/yykz2qnv>

The consent form portal will close on: 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020

There is an option to decline the vaccination

**If you do not wish your child to receive the vaccine please ensure that you access the portal (above) to decline the vaccination/s.**

If students are absent on the day of vaccinations, a further attempt will be made to offer the vaccine at a later date. Please enter a valid mobile number and email address on the form so that we can contact you with medical queries if necessary.

**THE FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY SOMEONE WITH LEGAL PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE YOUNG PERSON.**

Your **consent** to vaccination will be valid for the period of our MenACWY/DTP programme. If your child receives the vaccine elsewhere, or you wish to withdraw your consent, please contact us.

For information in another language or advice, please contact the immunisation team on: **0300 555 5055** or email: **ccs-tr.cambsimmsteam@nhs.net**

Further information: [Men ACWY Vaccination](#) [Teenage booster](#). 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 outcome of our immunisations. [CCS NHS Trust Privacy Notice](#)

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