

Please see below important information from Lincolnshire Community Health Services NHS Trust

Look out for HPV vaccination consent letters to protect your child's health

If your child is in Year 8 and has missed their Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccination due to the coronavirus school closures, please look out for a letter informing you how your child can still take part and get the benefit from this year's vaccination programme.

The letter includes full details about the process, including how to give your consent by completing an online form. A member of the LCHS team will then call you to arrange an appointment during July or August at one of the county's new, temporary 'drive-through' vaccination centres.

The HPV vaccine, given in two separate doses in Year 8 and Year 9, provides protection against a number of life threatening cancers including cervical cancer and mouth, neck and throat cancers. Both doses must be given to provide effective protection.

The HPV vaccine offers significant protection against a range of cancers, including cervical cancer, 99.7% of which are caused by the HPV virus.

For the first time this year, the HPV vaccine is also being given to boys in Year 8 aged 12 to 13 years in England to help prevent more cases of HPV related cancers in boys and girls.

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