



School Immunisation Team 3 Station Road Pill Bristol **BS20 0AB**

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Dear Parent/Carer

COVID-19 School Immunisation Programme

All children aged 12 to 15 are now being offered a second dose COVID-19 vaccine as part of the School Immunisation Programme. This letter explains why children are being offered these vaccines and explains how to let us know whether or not you would like your child to be vaccinated.

The school-based second dose Covid-19 vaccination clinics will be carried out in Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire by teams of vaccinators from the Vaccination Centre @ UWE Bristol and from local Primary Care Networks (PCN), co-ordinated by our School Aged Immunisation Team.

There must be a 12 week interval between first and second doses and students must also have had 12 weeks since any positive COVID test to be vaccinated. These school-based clinics will be part of wider delivery programme for 12 to 15 year olds. First and second dose Covid-19 vaccination appointments can also be booked at a dedicated GP clinic or Vaccination Centre clinic using the online National Booking Service or by calling 119. Walk-in clinics offering Covid-19 vaccinations for this age group can also be found at www.grabajab.net

If you would like your child to receive their vaccine in school and there has been more than 12 weeks since their first vaccine and 12 weeks since any positive COVID-19 test result, or if you would like them to receive their first vaccine please complete the consent form

Link to the COVID-19 consent form:

https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/coviddose2/2021/consent

Please complete the forms by midnight on Thursday 24th February in order to receive the vaccination at the school session.

For more information, for young people, about the COVID-19 vaccination programme for this age group please visit https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-vaccinationresources-for-children-and-young-people

For more information, for parents, about the COVID-19 vaccination programme for this age group please visit https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-vaccination-programme-for-young-people-guidance-for-parents

If your child is not able to attend school on the day of the Immunisation Clinic they can attend a catch-up clinic at a later date. Your school will send out information about these clinics at a later date. You can also, if you prefer, book an appointment at a Mass Vaccination centre through the National Booking Service Book or manage your coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccination - NHS (www.nhs.uk) Walk-in clinics offering Covid-19 vaccinations for this age group can also be found at www.grabajab.net

In the meantime, if you have any questions please contact the School Immunisation Team on 01275 373104 or email sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net

Yours faithfully

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