

14th October 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child's COVID-19 vaccination

Lincolnshire Community Health Services will be visiting schools in Lincolnshire throughout October and November to offer covid vaccinations to children aged 12-15, in addition to these school visits we are now able to offer vaccination opportunities at the locations and times below. These sessions are on a 'walk in' basis, therefore no appointments are required and are available for any child aged 12-15, who may have missed the vaccine when we attended their school or for those who have yet to be offered a vaccination through school and would rather not wait for our school visit.

Please click on the following link to complete the online consent form for your child(ren): <https://www.lincolnshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Covid> The on line consent form MUST be completed prior to attendance at the following centres as we continue to operate under specific rules set for the covid 19 vaccine. We will be unable to vaccinate anyone aged 12 – 15 without the on line consent being completed prior to their attendance even though parent/s are required to accompany them. You may also receive a letter from the national vaccination team inviting you to book an appointment for your child through the National Booking System, this offer is in addition to the process described above and the same process for completing the online consent prior to your attendance at the centre will apply.

Vaccinations for those aged 12 – 15 years will be available on the following dates and times at Lincolnshire Showground (Grange-de-Lings, Lincoln, LN2 2NA) and Princess Royal Sports Arena (Great Fen Road, Wyberton, Boston, PE21 7PB) Vaccination Centres (please note your GP is unable to offer vaccinations to 'healthy' 12-15 year olds):

Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th October between 10am – 4pm

Monday 25th October – Friday 29th October between 2pm – 7pm

Saturday 30th and Sunday 31st October between 10am – 4pm

Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th November between 10am – 4pm

Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th November between 10am – 4pm

Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st November between 10am – 4pm

Please do not visit the vaccination centre outside of these dates and times as we will be unable to vaccinate your child.

Please note, covid vaccinations can not be given to those within 28 days of testing positive for Covid 19 but can be given at any time interval with any other childhood vaccinations.

This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against COVID-19. COVID can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of COVID. The vaccination is free and is an injection into the upper arm.

We would encourage you to discuss the information below with your child/young person when making your decision, and want to reassure you that we will be working within the existing legal framework for consent, and that no vaccinations will be given to anyone who declines on the day, or in any cases where there is a difference of opinion about consent.

For further information for children, please follow this link to the information leaflet https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1017171/PHE_12073_COVID-19_guide_for_all_CYP.pdf

For further information for parents/guardians/carers, please follow this link <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-vaccination-resources-for-schools/covid-19-vaccination-programme-for-young-people-guidance-for-parents>

If you have any queries, please check the School Age Immunisation website <https://www.lincolnshirecommunityhealthservices.nhs.uk/our-services/childrens-services/immunisations>

For outstanding queries please email lccg.c.19vaccinationcell@nhs.net

Yours faithfully,

NHS Lincolnshire CCG and Lincolnshire Community Health Services NHS Trust