Monash City Council Annual Secondary School Vaccination Program 2020

2020 Secondary School Vaccinations – Year 7 & 10 Students

The Secondary School Vaccine Program offers free vaccinations to Year 7 and 10 students. These vaccines provide protection against:

- Diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough (pertussis) one dose for year 7 students
- Human Papillomavirus (HPV) two doses for year 7 students
- Meningococcal A,C,W,Y one dose for year 10 students

Parents/guardians of Year 7 students should look out for the vaccine consent card booklet coming home from school with your child. Year 10 students will receive their card later in the year. You need to read the information, complete and return the card regardless of whether your child is being vaccinated at school.

The Monash Council immunisation service may contact you about the Secondary School Vaccine Program. Schools are authorised to provide basic parent/guardian contact details to local councils for this purpose. Contact the school by 21 February each year if you do not want your contact details given to the Monash Council immunisation service.

• To learn more about the Secondary School Vaccine Program, the vaccines, the diseases they protect against, or how you can prepare your child for vaccination, go to https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/healthyliving/immunisation-in-secondary- schools

Additionally, the Commonwealth government is funding vaccinations for all children under 20 years of age who missed any scheduled vaccines, including a catch up program for Meningococcal ACWY vaccine for adolescents aged 15-19 years of age who have not already received the vaccine in school. If students have missed vaccines, either in childhood or adolescence, and require catch-up vaccines, they should speak with their immunisation provider. (i.e. local council or GP).

To receive this publication in an accessible format phone 1300 882 008 using the National Relay Service 13 36 77 if required, or email <u>immunisation@dhhs.vic.gov.au</u>

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