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Our Ref: School Letter Year 10 – Meningococcal ACWY – Tarneit Senior College – 2025

Dear Parents

RE: SCHOOL IMMUNISATION PROGRAM – YEAR 10 – MENINGOCOCCAL ACWY - 2025

Meningococcal ACWY vaccine is recommended and offered free for all Year 10 students, or those young people not in secondary school but of an equivalent age (15 or 16 years old). Although this disease is uncommon, meningococcal disease can become life-threatening very quickly. Young people in this age group are at an increased risk of contracting meningococcal disease and are more likely to spread the disease to others. By offering a free vaccination to this age group, we can help protect both your child and the wider community by reducing the spread of the disease.

The Wyndham Council Immunisation service will be visiting Tarneit Senior College on Wednesday 19 February 2025 to administer this vaccine. Please encourage your child to have breakfast on the day of vaccination.

Consent for the vaccine is to be given online via the Central Immunisation Records Victoria (CIRV) portal.

Please go to the following link and complete the details to register your consent.

<https://portal.cirv.vic.gov.au//PrivacyCollection/?id=49478f27-4c80-ef11-ac21-6045bd3cc9ba&Year10>

The consent link will close at 9am on Tuesday 18 February 2025.

You must register your response before the link closes, in order for your child to be vaccinated.

If you do not wish your child to receive this vaccine, please go to the link above to indicate this.

If you do not have access to the internet, or are having difficulty using the online consent, please contact your school for a paper version which can be filled out and returned to the school. Information is also available in several other languages, if needed.

Should you have any questions, or require assistance call the Immunisation Team on 9742 0736 or email on immunisation@wyndham.vic.gov.au

Further information on school vaccinations can be found at <https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/healthyliving/immunisation-in-secondary-schools>

Yours faithfully

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