Somerset Practice Nurse Information on School Aged Immunisations

This information has been produced following requests from practice nurses to clarify the changed process for school aged immunisations and vaccinations in schools. This is due to changes in both the schedule changes (HPV) and delivery model (HPV, MenC, Td/IPV).

The table below sets out pathways for GP role in immunising school-aged children. It does not cover the full pathway: there are additional roles for child health and school nurses in identifying the cohort and securing consent for vaccination in school which are defined in other documentation. Full specific vaccine information can be found in the online Green Book.

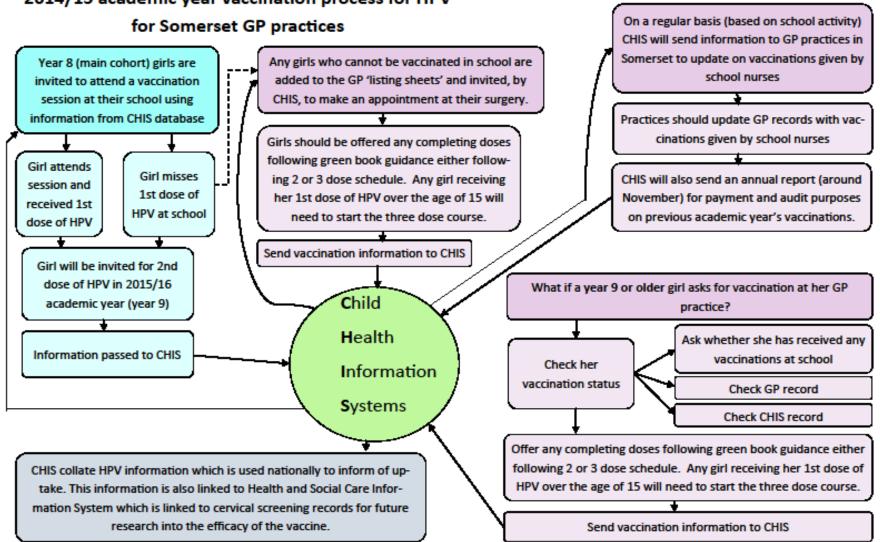
Action: Please ensure ALL vaccination information for under 18's is sent to Child Health on a regular basis. If you do not routinely report immunisations for all school aged immunisations please send an update to Child Health

In all programmes it is essential that GP practices notify child health of all vaccinations given and vice versa, for the following reasons:

- To minimise the risk of unnecessary repeat vaccination for example in a school outside of our area, or in your practice after a child has moved in.
- To ensure data is robust to enable us to prepare for catch-up campaigns for children with incomplete immunisation history.
- To ensure we can share accurate data with other child health departments when children move to a new area.
- To ensure payment for HPV LES

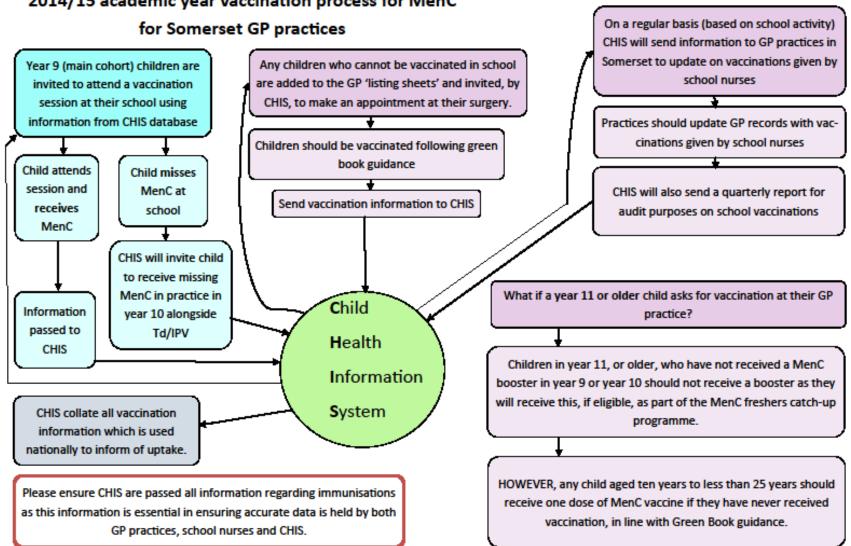
If you have any queries please contact Jo Ferrie, Screening and Immunisation Coordinator on joferrie@nhs.net

Vaccination in		Who	Other information		
2014/15		vaccinates?			
HPV	Main cohort 1 st dose (year 8 girls)	School nurses (some GP)	School nurses will offer vaccination to all year 8 girls who are attending school between January and March 2015. The second dose will be offered in school year 9 between January and March 2016. School nurses advise child health of completed vaccinations.		
			Child health notifies GP practices in and out of area of any vaccinations given.		
			If a girl is unsuitable for vaccination at school she will be referred to her GP. GP practices must notify child health of each dose given (required for payment under the LES)		
	Catch up (any cohort)	GP	If a girl is unable to receive the full vaccination programme via the school health nurses please vaccinate following green book guidance. Any girls who are missing HPV vaccination will be added to the GP 'listing sheets' and invited to make an appointment at her surgery. From 1 st September 2014 girls under 15 years and starting the schedule needs two dose		
			schedule, whilst girls aged 15 or over and starting the schedule still need three doses.		
			For those girls who started the schedule prior to September 2014 the situation depends on how many doses the girl has already received:		
			 If the girl commenced the schedule before the age of 15 years and only received one dose of vaccine then they can be transferred on to the two dose schedule, ensuring a 6-24 month interval period is observed between the first and second dose. If the time period is longer than 24 months then a second (booster) and third dose is needed. If the girl commenced the schedule before the age of 15 years and has received two doses of HPV vaccine, between 6 and 24 months apart then the schedule is complete. If the girl commenced the schedule before the age of 15 years and has received two doses of HPV vaccine at less than 6 month apart then a third dose is needed, ensuring a 6-24 month interval period is observed between the second and third dose. 		
			GP practices must notify child health of each dose given (required for payment under the LES).		

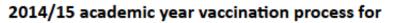


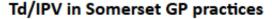
2014/15 academic year vaccination process for HPV

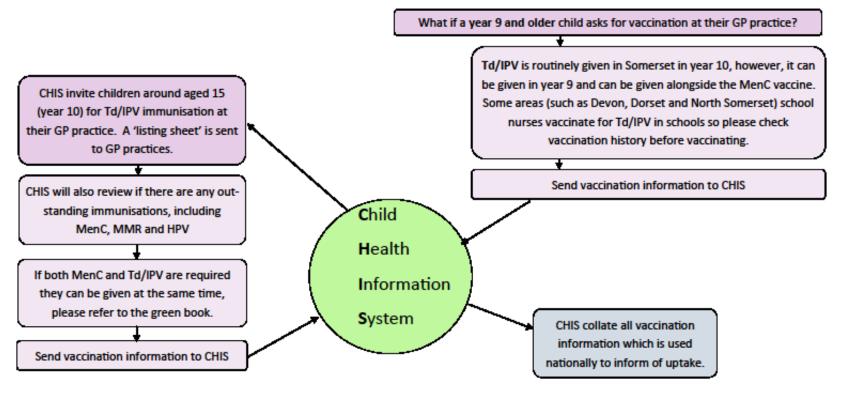
Vaccination in 14/15		Who vaccinates?	Other information	
MenC	Year 9	School Nurses (some GP)	 For this current school year (14/15) the Somerset school nurses will be vaccinating all school year 9 pupils for MenC, between January and June 15. School nurses advise child health of completed vaccinations. Child health notify GP practices in and out of area of any vaccinations given. If a child is unsuitable for vaccination at school they will be referred to their GP. GP practices must notify child health of any doses given. If any vaccinations have been given to year 9 children this academic year (since 01.09.14) practices MUST inform child health if they have not already done so to ensure children are not vaccinated twice. 	
	Year 10 (catch up)	GP	 Any child in school year 10 who has not received Men C since the age of 10 should be offered MenC vaccination in general practice as they will not receive vaccination for MenC in schools. In Somerset, the Child Health team will work with your practice to invite and book appointments. Children attending schools outside of Somerset may have been offered / received vaccination through other school based programmes. A table at the end of this document explains the current vaccination process in other areas which may be useful for practices with children who attend schools outside of Somerset. GP practices must notify child health of any doses given. 	
	Freshers	GP	MenC Freshers has been extended until March 2015. This will mainly affect general practices with high student populations. If you have any young people under the age of 25 who are in their first year of university they should be offered a booster of MenC vaccination	
Td/IPV (adolescent booster)Year 10GPGPs are responsible for vaccinating all year 10 children for Td/IPV. will work with your practice to invite and book appointments. GP practices must notify child health of any doses given.				



2014/15 academic year vaccination process for MenC







Please ensure CHIS are passed all information regarding immunisations as this information is essential in ensuring accurate data is held by both GP practices, school nurses and CHIS.

School aged immunisations for 2014/15 academic year in border areas

Area	Td/IPV (adolescent booster)		MenC	HPV	
Bristol	GP	Year 10			
North Somerset	School nurses*	Year 9		School nurse*	
Somerset	GP	Year 10	School nurses year 9*		
South Gloucestershire	GP	Year 10		1 st dose in year 8	
Bath & North East Somerset	School nurses*	Year 9		2 nd dose in year 9	
Gloucestershire	School nurses*	Year 9			
Devon	School nurses*	Year 10	School nurses year 10*		
Dorset	School nurses*	Year 10	School nurses year 10*	School nurse 1 st & 2 nd dose in year 8*	

*with GP catch up