

## School Age Immunisation Service (SAIS)

August 2018

### New Service Delivery

New arrangements are coming into place in September 2018 for the delivery of the School Age Immunisation Service (SAIS) within Derby City. Details of these changes and local arrangements for the provision of this service are included below.

### Service Delivery

NHS England (North Midlands) has now commissioned Derbyshire Community Health Services (DCHS) NHS Foundation Trust to deliver the school age immunisations in Derby City, in addition to Derbyshire County, where DCHS already delivers this service. As such, the service delivery will be transferring from Nottingham City Care Partnership to DCHS on the 1st September 2018.

DCHS has a proven track record of delivering school age immunisations across the whole of Derbyshire ranging from Glossop in the High Peak down to Swadlincote in the South of Derbyshire. It is therefore anticipated that this will be a smooth service transition from Nottingham City Care Partnership to DCHS.

The School Age Immunisation Service (SAIS) will deliver the following immunisations:

- **Seasonal Flu vaccinations** to school age children in reception class and years 1 to 5. All **special schools** will also be offered the flu vaccines for reception age children to year 13. The flu programme runs Oct – Dec however may run in to January if there are any exceptional circumstances that prevent the team delivering the planned programme.
- **HPV** This is routinely offered to all girls in year 8 and 9. The team are also able to offer a catch up programme to girls up to the end of year 11.
- **Meningitis ACWY/ Teenage booster (Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio)** this is routinely offered to boys and girls in year 9. The team are also able to offer a catch up programme up to the end of year 11.

In addition to the core programme above, other vaccinations may be required in agreement with the commissioner such as:

- Specific immunisation catch-up programmes as recommended by the Department of Health/Public Health England
- Vaccines in response to ad hoc local vaccine preventable outbreaks of infectious diseases.

Additional information about DCHS and the services it provides can be found on our website <http://www.dchs.nhs.uk/home>

### **What will be offered?**

The core service offered will include the following:

- All eligible children are offered immunisations in the school setting in the school they attend including state, special, pupil referral units (PRUs), faith and independent private schools.
- Adequate sessions will be provided at each school so that a child could normally receive all necessary doses in the school they attend.
- Alternative community settings will be provided for immunisations for children unable to receive their immunisation in the school they attend. Such circumstances will include:
  - Children absent on the scheduled day for the school immunisation session
  - Home schooled children.

### **Childhood and Adolescent Programmes in General Practice**

Immunisation programmes which will continue to be delivered within general practice are:

- All preschool immunisation programmes e.g. (including influenza for not-at-risk 2 and 3 year olds)
- All Influenza at-risk children, including special school students if they wish, however these can be given in school also.

**Please note: any school age vaccinations will only be given by the School Age Immunisation Team. These will no longer be routinely offered by GPs.**

### **What's next?**

A full mobilisation plan has been developed to ensure a smooth transfer of the Derby City service into DCHS. The DCHS SAIS team have now contacted all primary, infant, junior and special schools and will contact all senior schools in the new academic year. All schools eligible for our flu vaccination service should now have received an email from the team linking to the website.

On this website you will be able to see your date for the flu campaign. Please note, the team will be offering the flu vaccine to 67,000 children this year; therefore if there are any concerns with dates, please contact the team ASAP, or if you have any other queries, via the contact details below.

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