

24th November 2021

Invitation letter for parents of children aged 12 to 15 years of age

Dear Parent,

COVID-19 vaccination for children aged 12 to 15 years of age

We are writing to inform you that the NHS will be offering a further opportunity for your child to receive the COVID-19 vaccination at the Action Heart Vaccination Hub at Russells Hall Hospital, Dudley between the hours of 9 am and 4:30 pm on the following dates:

- Saturday 27th November
- Sunday 28th November

The full address for the Action Heart Vaccination Hub is: South Block Russells Hall Hospital Pensnett Rd, Dudley DY1 2HQ

This opportunity will be on a walk-in basis meaning no prior booking is required. For your child to receive the vaccine they must be accompanied by a parent who holds parental responsibility for them.

If your child has already received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine in another settling please disregard this letter.

The main purpose of the COVID-19 school age vaccination programme is to provide protection to the children who receive the vaccine and may help to reduce transmission of COVID-19 in the wider population.

This vaccination is free of charge and our highest priority is making it easy for children to access one dose of the vaccine before the winter. During the vaccination delivery we will maintain a range of measures to keep your child safe from COVID-19.



Please be aware in younger people, protection from natural infection is likely to be high for a period of months, and vaccination in those recently infected may increase the chance of side effects. Therefore, vaccination should ideally be deferred till at least twelve weeks from onset (or sample date) in children and young people under 18 years who are not in clinical risk groups. This includes children and young people who developed Paediatric multisystem inflammatory syndrome temporally associated with SARS-CoV-2 infection (PIMS-TS) in association with COVID-19 infection and then become eligible for vaccination.

Your child must be aged between 12 to 15 on the date of vaccination to receive the vaccine in this settling.

If you require further information to inform your decision on giving consent for your child to receive the vaccination, please seek further advice from your GP.

Please note that the offer of a COVID-19 vaccine is evergreen and will continue to be available to all those who want to be vaccinated in the future.

Best wishes,

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