

## YEAR 7 VACCINATIONS

### FREE VACCINES FOR ALL YEAR 7 STUDENTS

Dear Parent/Guardian

Teams of specially trained registered nurses will be visiting your child's school during Year 7 to offer free vaccinations against serious preventable diseases

#### VACCINES INCLUDE:

1. Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine (3 doses)
2. Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (whooping cough) (dTpa) vaccine (1 dose)
3. Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine 1 dose

#### THESE VACCINES ARE ONLY PROVIDED FREE FOR YEAR 7 STUDENTS

#### WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO?

- ✓ Year 7 Parent Information Kit will be distributed by your school at the beginning of 1<sup>st</sup> term
- ✓ Read the information included in the Kit (translated copies are available on the website below)
- ✓ **ENSURE FORM IS COMPLETED CORRECTLY, AND SIGN FOR EACH VACCINE REQUIRED**

Please sign for **EACH** vaccine you wish your child to receive:

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| HPV Vaccine. I hereby give consent for my named child to receive a 3 dose course.                               | Signature of Parent/Guardian<br>SAMPLE ONLY |
| Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (dTpa) Vaccine. I hereby give consent for my named child to receive a single dose. | Signature of Parent/Guardian<br>SAMPLE ONLY |
| Varicella Vaccine. I hereby give consent for my named child to receive a single dose.                           | Signature of Parent/Guardian<br>SAMPLE ONLY |

- ✓ ensure your child has eaten breakfast the morning of the clinic
- ✓ ensure your child is wearing clothing that enables the upper arm to be exposed
- ✓ **COMPLETE CONSENT FORMS IN BLUE OR BLACK PEN ONLY**

Ask your child for the record of vaccination when they arrive home on the day of the clinic – keep this record in a safe place (eg. baby's' blue book), ideally notify your GP for their records.

#### WHAT IF YOUR CHILD MISSES A VACCINE?

You won't need to do anything, every effort will be made to catch-up missed vaccines at other clinics at your child's school during the year or the following year when they are in year 8.

#### MORE QUESTIONS?

Please contact Hunter New England Local Health District, Immunisation Unit on 49246477 or visit <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/schoolvaccination.aspx>