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Primary School Vaccination Programme 2016/2017

Dear Principal,

This letter is to inform you of the Health Service Executive (HSE) primary school vaccination programme in 2016/2017.

The routine booster dose of diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), polio and tetanus vaccine and a second dose of measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine will continue for pupils in Junior Infants.

These vaccines will be given by HSE vaccination teams in primary schools in all parts of the country except Donegal, Sligo and Leitrim where they are given by general practitioners in their surgeries.

Information packs for these vaccination programmes are currently being prepared and will be distributed to schools in the coming weeks.

I would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation in the delivery of these vaccination programmes. The HSE vaccination teams will work with you to ensure these take place as efficiently as possible.

Should you or any parents require further information please visit www.immunisation.ie or contact your local immunisation office (phone numbers overleaf)

Yours sincerely



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Please note that for vaccination sessions to take place the HSE teams will require

- Use of a large room such as a hall/indoor sports court. In choosing this area it would be very useful if there was a separate entrance and exit.
- Hand-washing facilities
- Tables and chairs for vaccinating teams (depending on size of school and vaccinating team)
- Chairs or mats for one class of female students at any one time
- A liaison member of staff or a designated student to call students from class at the appropriate time for vaccination and return them to class in an orderly way after vaccination

Contact phone numbers for HSE Local Health Immunisation Offices

| Local Health Offices by county or area | Phone Number |
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| Carlow | 056 7784531 056 7784496 |
| Cavan | 047 30422 047 30423 047 39089 |
| Cavan - West Cavan | 071 915514 |
| Clare | 065 6868039 |
| Cork - North Cork | 022 58736 |
| Cork – North Lee | 021 4921764 021 4921751 |
| Cork – South Lee | 021 4923281 021 4923282 |
| Cork - West Cork | 028 40429 |
| Donegal - Buncrana | 074 9361044 |
| Donegal - Donegal Town | 074 9740643 |
| Donegal - Dungloe | 074 9561210 |
| Donegal - Letterkenny | 074 9123753 |
| Dublin North (areas covered Artane(part), Coolock, Darndale, Edenmore,Raheny, Kilbarrack, Howth, Sutton, Baldoyle, Portmarnock,Malahide, Swords, Lusk, Rush, Skerries, Balbriggan, Naul) | 01 8661431 |
| Dublin North Central (areas covered Ballymun, Drumcondra,Whitehall,North inner City, Fairview, Clontarf, Donneycarney) | 01 8467097 |
| Dublin North West (areas covered Cabra, Phibsborough, Finglas, Part Glasnevin, Castleknock, Blanchardstown, Mulhuddert, Smithfield) | 01 8975135 |
| Dublin South (areas covered Dun Laoghaire, Blackrock, Stillorgan, Cabinteely, Foxrock, Dalkey, South County Dublin, Shankill, Loughlinstown) | 01 2365246 |
| Dublin South City (areas covered South Inner City, Ringsend, Rathmines, Terenure, Churchtown, Rathfarnham) | 076 6958196 086 3837416 |
| Dublin South East (areas covered Baggot St, Ranelagh, Donnybrook, Dundrum, Churchtown, Ballinteer Leopardstown and Sandyford) | 01 2680432 |
| Dublin South West (areas covered Crumlin, Drimnagh, Tallaght, Templeogue, Firhouse) | 01 4141390 |
| Dublin West (areas covered Clondalkin, Ballyfermot, Palmerstown, Lucan, Inchicore and Rathcoole) | 076 6955766 076 6955746 |
| Galway | 091 546180 |
| Kerry | 066 7195682 |
| Kildare | 045 907935 045 907929 |
| Kilkenny | 056 7784531 056 7784496 |
| Laois | 057 8692715 |
| Leitrim | 071 915514 |

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| Limerick | 061 464252 |
| Limerick – East Limerick | 061 461140 |
| Longford | 044 9395076 |
| Louth | 042 9381262 042 9381244 |
| Mayo | 094 9042217 096 21511 |
| Meath | 046 9098725 046 9098763 046 9098752 |
| Monaghan | 047 30422 047 30423 047 39089 |
| Offaly | 057 9359914 |
| Roscommon | 090 6637545 |
| Sligo | 071 915514 |
| Tipperary – North Tipperary | 067 46410 |
| Tipperary - South Tipperary | 052 6177329 |
| Waterford | 051 846772 |
| Westmeath | 044 9395076 |
| Wexford | 053 9243290 |
| Wicklow | 076 6959054 |
| Wicklow - West Wicklow (areas covered Baltinglass, Blessington and Dunlavin) | 045 907935 045 907929 |