

18th July 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian

We are writing in response to the increased number of cases of COVID-19 in your child's school. Your child has been identified as having an underlying health condition that puts them at increased risk of developing complications if they are exposed to COVID-19.

Children aged 5 to 11 who have certain underlying health conditions outlined in the at-risk category should receive **two doses** of the vaccine 8 weeks apart:

• COVID-19 vaccination A guide for children aged 5-11 years who are at greater risk from COVID-19 infection - Public Health Wales (nhs.wales)

Young people aged 12 years and above who have certain underlying health conditions outlined in the at-risk category should receive **two doses** of the vaccine 8 weeks apart followed by a **booster dose** 13 weeks after their second dose:

- 12-15 year olds at risk <u>COVID-19 vaccination</u>: A guide for children and young people aged 12 to 15 years Public Health Wales (nhs.wales)
- 16+ booster Programme <u>A guide to the COVID-19 booster Public Health Wales</u> (nhs.wales)

If your child is in the at-risk category and has not received the recommended COVID-19 vaccines for their age group, please call the COVID-19 vaccine Booking Centre on **0300 303 1373** to arrange an appointment.

Please inform the Booking Centre that your child is in an at risk category and of any adjustments we may need to make to support your child to be vaccinated.

Alternatively, all our vaccination centres offer walk-ins for over 12's, and for 5-11 walk-ins are Tuesday and Saturday mornings only. For more information and opening times please visit the Health Boards website.

www.abuhb.nhs.wales/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/

Yours sincerely

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