

Elementary School Suspension: February 27, 2020

Attention: Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Walk-In Clinics/Urgent Care Clinics, Family Health Teams, Beausoleil Health Centre, Central LHIN, NSM LHIN

Date: December 18, 2019

In preparation for the upcoming elementary school suspension in Simcoe Muskoka, the Immunization Program would like to share the following information.

Students born in 2006 & 2012 are at risk of suspension from school on February 27, 2020.

The health unit is required to collect, assess and maintain immunization records for each student attending school as per the Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA). We are currently focusing our immunization record surveillance on the following:

Who Are We Reviewing?	Immunization Notices	Suspension Day
<u>Grade 2 & Grade 8 Students</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For all ISPA vaccines Includes Grade 8s who did not receive grade 7 dose of Men-C-ACYW 	Summer & Fall 2019	February 27th 2020

Ordering Men-C-ACYW Vaccine

While Men-C-ACYW (Menactra® or Menveo™) is not a vaccine that is routinely ordered and stocked by HCPs, you can order a small quantity to have on hand for any students who did not receive their grade 7 dose and are now eligible for suspension. To do so, complete the "Grade 8-12 Student Men-C-ACYW Order Form" on our website.

Mandatory Immunization Education Session for Parents Requesting an Affidavit

Effective September 1, 2017, any parent/guardian who wants to file a Statement of Conscience or Religious Belief form (affidavit) under the Immunizations of School Pupils Act (ISPA) for their child will need to complete an education session at the health unit. Please direct any parent wanting to file an affidavit to contact the health unit at 705-721-7520 or toll-free 1-877-721-7520 for more information on this new process.

If you have any questions, contact our Immunization Health Care Provider Line at 705-721-7520 ext. 8806 or toll-free 1-877-721-7520 or visit our website at www.simcoemuskokahealth.org.



Online Immunization Reporting Available

A reminder to ensure parents are aware of the provincial online immunization reporting system, Immunization Connect Ontario (ICON). This system can be accessed at www.smdhu.org/immsonline. Parents can use this system to update their child's immunization record on file at the health unit. This system is a convenient way for parents to securely send us their child's updated immunization information **anytime**.

