



After your school immunisation

Information for school children and their families
following immunisation.

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their best protection

Dear Parent/Guardian of _____

You agreed to your child having an immunisation at school. Today, the following immunisation was given by the vaccinator:

- tetanus, diphtheria and whooping cough (pertussis) immunisation, also known as Boostrix. HPV dose 1 (Gardasil ®9) Other _____
- HPV dose 2 (Gardasil ®9)
- Left arm Right arm Left arm Right arm

Date given: _____ Time given: _____

How your child may feel after the immunisation and what can help

Common reactions after immunisation usually go away after a few days. Serious immunisation reactions are very rare.

What your child may feel	What can help
Swelling and pain at the injection site (hard and sore to touch) Heavy arm Nausea (feeling sick) Headache, aches and pains Dizziness	Place a cold, wet, cloth or ice pack where the injection was given. Leave it on for a short time. Do not rub the injection site.
Rarely, your child may have a high fever (over 39 degrees)	Remove layers of clothing. Give extra fluids to drink. Give paracetamol or ibuprofen for relief of significant discomfort or high fever.

If you have any concerns, ring your family doctor.

It is important to have both doses of HPV vaccine to be fully protected. If you have any questions, ring the vaccinator. Please do not contact the school.

The vaccinator's contact details are: _____

If you cannot contact your family doctor or vaccinator you can call Healthline on 0800 611 116.

It is important to report any unexpected side effects after immunisation to your family doctor or the vaccinator. If you are unsure about whether a symptom might be related to the vaccine, discuss this with your family doctor or the vaccinator.

Health professionals should report reactions that happen after immunisation to the Centre for Adverse Reactions Monitoring (CARM). You can also report them by emailing CARM or using the online reporting form on the CARM website, www.otago.ac.nz/carm.