

Thursday 21 October 2021

Dear parents and carers,

RE: Vaccination sites for 12 – 15 year olds

The NHS is now vaccinating 12-15 year olds as part of the national roll out of the vaccination programme. This is to ensure they have the best possible protection against Covid. Covid-19 is usually mild in most children, but it can make some children unwell. One dose of a Covid-19 vaccine gives good protection against your child getting seriously ill. Vaccinating children can also help stop the spread of Covid-19 to other people, including within schools.

Recently, many 12-15 year olds have received the vaccination at school. This may not have been possible for all pupils. The NHS across Suffolk and North East Essex will be holding additional clinics to allow 12-15 year olds to receive their vaccination during the half term period. A full list of clinics is in the process of being finalised and will be posted on the Suffolk and North East Essex Vaccination Service website – www.sneevaccine.org.uk Please visit the site to obtain a list of clinics available that would be nearest to you. We would ask that your child brings with them their NHS number, identification and details of any medical history.

In the coming days, it will become possible to book appointments for this age group at the majority of our large scale vaccination centres via the National Booking Service website at www.nhs.uk/covidvaccine or by calling 119. For the most recent Frequently Asked Questions please click [HERE](#) (<https://ukhsa.blog.gov.uk/2021/10/11/key-questions-on-the-children-and-young-peoples-covid-19-vaccination-programme/>)

The NHS across Suffolk and North East Essex has also produced a webinar aimed at answering concerns and commonly asked questions received - [Community Events - SNEE NHS COVID-19 Vaccination Service \(sneevaccine.org.uk\)](#)

Yours Sincerely



Stuart Keeble
Director of Public Health



Allan Cadzow
Director for Children and Young People's Services