

Grade 7 Immunization Program

Protecting Grade 7 Students against Hepatitis B and Meningitis C

During the school year, nurses from York Region Community and Health Services visit most schools to provide two immunization clinics for grade 7 students: one in the fall, and one the following spring. At these clinics, the students are given free immunizations against hepatitis B and meningitis C.

For Teachers

Teachers play a major role in preparing students ahead of time for their immunizations. When students are prepared ahead of time, it helps to reduce their fear and anxiety and improves the safety and efficiency of the clinics. Use the materials described below to review the facts about these diseases and the vaccines with your class prior to the immunization clinic.

Three resources to help you prepare your students for these immunizations:

1. A two-page summary on hepatitis B and meningitis C
2. A curriculum-matched teaching resource complete with overheads and worksheet activities
3. A PowerPoint presentation for use with your students

These resources are available from your Resource Department or can be downloaded from www.york.ca/Services/Public+Health+and+Safety/Healthy+Schools/Immunization+Gr7.htm

For Administrators

- PA announcement
- Clinic Requirements checklist

For Parents

- Grade 7 Parent letter
- Hepatitis B Immunization consent form
- Meningitis C Immunization consent form
- Meningitis C fact sheet
- Translation notice

For more information, call York Region *Health Connection* at 1-800-361-5653 or visit www.york.ca.