

Vaccination in the 1st grade (5-7 year olds)

Dear parent/guardian,

The Flemish government offers a **free booster vaccine for the protection of** polio, diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis :

- 1st grade students
- pupils in special education, in the year they turn 6

Protection against 4 diseases

Polio (infantile paralysis) can cause irreparable paralysis.

Diphtheria (croup) can cause severe inflammation of the throat and airways with a risk of suffocation. Heart and nerves are also sometimes affected.

Tetanus (clamp) causes stimulation of the nerve cells, causing severe and painful muscle cramps and making breathing impossible.

Pertussis (whooping cough) causes severe coughing fits and wheezing. It is a serious disease, especially for babies.

Vaccination is the best protection against these diseases. This booster vaccine is needed for long-term protection.

Vaccination

1 injection in the upper arm

Reactions after the vaccination

After the vaccination, your child may suffer from:

- a red swelling at the site of the injection
- a painful, tender spot at the site of the injection;
- a flu-like feeling or a slight fever;
- decreased appetite, vomiting, and diarrhea.

These reactions are normal and disappear after a few days. Swelling of the entire upper arm sometimes only disappears after 5 days. Contact your doctor if the symptoms persist or are more severe. A vaccine, like any medicine, can have side effects. The chance that a vaccine will cause a serious side effect is very small.

Who vaccinates

The doctor or nurse of the CLB vaccinates. The vaccination is free. CLB only vaccinates if there is valid (verbal or written) consent and there are no indications to the contrary for vaccination.

The vaccine is also free at the family doctor (GP), but the consultation must be paid for.

Consent for vaccination

Drop off the completed permission letter at school.

Vaccinnet

The CLB registers the vaccines it administers in Vaccinnet. This way the doctor can also see which vaccine your child received. Via www.mijngezondheid.be you can also check this yourself.

Vaccines not offered by CLB

The Flemish vaccination schedule is offered free of charge to school-age children via the CLB. There are other vaccines. For more information about this, please contact your doctor.

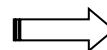
Questions

If you have any questions, call the CLB: 02 479 25 05.

Or surf to www.allesovervaccineren.be, the website of the Flemish government about vaccinations.

Thank you for your cooperation,

doctor and nurse from the CLB



CONSENT LETTER polio–diphtheria–tetanus–pertussis (Infanrix-IPV°)

Student's name + first name:

Date of birth (day/month/year):/...../.....

School + Classroom:

Telephone number where you (parent/guardian) can be reached during the day: ☎

Do you agree with vaccination? Check the desired selection (x)

- ☐ **Yes, CLB** can vaccinate my child against polio-diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis at the CLB.
- ☐ I want to have my child vaccinated by the **family doctor (GP) or pediatrician**. (Make an appointment with your doctor yourself, so they can order the vaccine in advance.).
- ☐ **No**, my child has already received these vaccines (fill in the dates):/...../.....
- ☐ **No**, I don't want to have my child vaccinated.

Please note! The following questions will help us to detect a possible contraindication for vaccination. **Tick the correct answer.**

Is your child allergic to neomycin or polymyxin B (antibiotics)? ☐ **yes** ☐ **no**

Allergy here means 'swelling of the mouth or throat', and/or 'difficulty breathing' and/or 'problems with the heart'.

Has your child had a serious reaction after a vaccination in the past? ☐ **yes** ☐ **no**

Does your child suffer from a brain disease that is not yet under control? ☐ **yes** ☐ **no**

Date:



Name and signature of the legal parent or guardian*:



* Consent for vaccination can be given by an adult student, a legal parent or a legal guardian.