

【Seasonal Influenza Vaccination School Outreach Programme - Consent Information】

Point to Note

1. **eHealth registration is a prerequisite for all vaccine recipients aged 18 years or above. Vaccine recipients who are aged below 18 years may opt out for registering with eHealth.**
2. Please read the information in Annex carefully. Please complete this consent form in BLOCK LETTERS with a blue or black pen and put “✓” into the appropriate box(es) and * delete as appropriate.
3. Part I (Vaccine Recipient’s Basic Information) and Part II (Consent to Receive Vaccination) / Part III (Refusal to Receive Vaccination) shall be completed and signed by a parent or guardian of the vaccine recipient if the vaccine recipient is aged below 18, or aged 18 or above but incapable of giving consent; or completed and signed by the vaccine recipient aged 18 or above capable of giving consent.
Please read the information at <https://www.chp.gov.hk/en/features/17980.html>

4. and on Seasonal Influenza Vaccination (“SIV”) in the Annex before you sign this consent form.
Part IV (Consent to Register with eHealth) shall be completed and signed by the Substitute Decision Maker (defined below) if the vaccine recipient is aged below 16 or aged 16 or above but incapable of giving consent. Please read the information on eHealth including the Participant Information Notice and Personal Information Collection Statement carefully.
5. If there is any inconsistency or ambiguity between the English version and the Chinese version, the English version shall prevail.
6. **Interpretation:**
“**eHealth**” has the meaning given to “eHealth System” in the Electronic Health System Ordinance (Cap. 625) (as amended or modified from time to time).
“**Government**” means the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China.
“**IT Platform**” means the IT system of the Government built for the collection, storage, sharing and use of data (including clinical data) of vaccine recipients under the Specified Programmes.
“**Private Doctor**” means the Registered Medical Practitioner whose application to enrol in the Seasonal Influenza Vaccination School Outreach Programme has been accepted by the Government.
“**Registered Medical Practitioner**” has the meaning given to “registered medical practitioner” in the Medical Registration Ordinance (Cap. 161).
“**Substitute Decision Maker**” has the meaning given to “substitute decision maker” in the Electronic Health System Ordinance (Cap. 625).
“**Vaccination**” means in relation to a vaccine in Part II, the administration of such vaccine to a vaccine recipient.

【Undertakings and Declarations】

1. I declare the information provided in this form is correct. I declare the information provided by me to the Government is up-to-date, true, accurate and complete in all respects at the time of provision.
2. I agree to provide my / my child’s / ward’s personal data in this form and any information related to this consultation for the use by the Government for the purposes as set out in the “Statement of Purposes of Collection of Personal Data”. I hereby give consent to the Private Doctor to transfer and release my / my child’s / ward’s personal data and any information related to this consultation to the Government, its agents, or other persons authorised by the Government. I note that the Government may contact me to verify whether I/my child/ my ward have/has received Vaccination by using the Government subsidy.
3. For vaccine recipient who is a Smart Identity Card holder: I hereby authorise the Private Doctor to read my/my child's/my ward's personal data (limited to Hong Kong Identity Card No., Name (in English and Chinese), sex, date of birth and date of issue of Hong Kong Identity Card) stored in the chip embodied in my/my child's/my ward's Smart Identity Card for the use by the Government for the purposes as set out in the “Statement of Purposes of Collection of Personal Data”.
4. This consent form shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.
5. I have read this consent form carefully and fully understood my obligations and liability under this consent form.

【Dispute Resolution】

1. The parties shall first refer any dispute or difference arising out of or in connection with this consent form to mediation in accordance with The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Mediation Rules prevailing at the time.
2. If the said dispute or difference is not settled by mediation according to Clause 1, a party may institute litigation in respect of the said dispute or difference. The parties agree that the courts of Hong Kong shall have exclusive jurisdiction in respect of the said dispute or difference.

【Statement of Purposes of Collection of Personal Data】

Purposes of Collection of Personal Data

1. The personal data provided by you will be used by the Government for one or more of the following purposes:
(a) Registration of an account in the IT platform, payment of subsidy, and the administration, monitoring, auditing and evaluation of the Seasonal Influenza Vaccination School Outreach Programme, including but not limited to a verification procedure by electronic means with the data kept by the Government, processing of subsidy payment, providing necessary health care services to vaccine recipients and investigation of incidents and complaints;
(b) enhancing or facilitating the implementation of Government programmes which promote primary care, including but not limited to direct contact by the Government or its agents for engagement of healthcare activities and education;
(c) statistical, scheme monitoring, evaluation and research purposes;
(d) receiving vaccination information provided by the Government; and
(e) any other legitimate purposes as may be required, authorised or permitted by law.
2. The vaccination record made for the purpose of this consultation will be accessible by health care personnel in the public and private sectors for the purpose of determining and providing necessary health care service to the recipient.
3. The Government may disclose personal data and records of you / your child / your ward to other Government bureaux / departments concerned, or obtain such personal data or records from Government bureaux / departments concerned, for the purpose of verifying your eligibility under the Seasonal Influenza Vaccination School Outreach Programme.
4. The provision of personal data is voluntary. However, if you do not provide sufficient information, you/ your child/ your ward may not be able to receive the subsidised Vaccination.

Classes of Transferees

5. The personal data will be transferred to and used by the authorised user(s) or professional parties in the health field which are directly involved in the Seasonal Influenza Vaccination School Outreach Programme including but not limited to:
(a) Private Doctors and individuals authorised by the Private Doctors, as a clinic administrator, to access and use the IT platform;
(b) Primary Healthcare Commission (“PHCC”) and the operators appointed by PHCC;
(c) the Medical Council of Hong Kong, Nursing Council of Hong Kong, Pharmacy and Poisons Board and their agents;
(d) the Hospital Authority and its agents; and
(e) the Government’s agents;
for the purpose set out in Clause 1 above.

Access to Personal Data

6. You have the right to request access to and correction of your personal data under sections 18 and 22 and principle 6, schedule 1 to the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap. 486). A reasonable fee may be charged by the Government for processing any data access and/or correction request.

Enquiries

Enquiries concerning the personal data provided, including making data access and correction, request, should be addressed to: Programme Management and Vaccination Division, Centre for Health Protection, 3/F, Two Harbourfront, Hung Hom, Kowloon (Telephone No.: 2125 2125)

Seasonal Influenza Vaccination - Annex

【Information About Injectable Vaccine】

Please read the information carefully. If you have any concerns about the suitability of yourself, your child or your ward for the vaccination, please consult your family doctor.

1. What is influenza?

- Influenza is an acute illness of the respiratory tract caused by influenza viruses. The virus mainly spreads by respiratory droplets. The disease is characterised by fever, sore throat, cough, runny nose, headache, muscle aches and general tiredness. It is usually self-limiting with recovery in two to seven days.
- However, if persons with weakened immunity and elderly persons get infected, it can be a serious illness and may even cause death.
- Serious infection or complications can also occur in healthy individuals.

2. Which type of influenza vaccines are recommended to be use in children?

- The Scientific Committee on Vaccine Preventable Diseases (SCVPD) under the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health recommended inactivated influenza vaccines and live attenuated influenza vaccine (i.e. nasal vaccine) for use in children. Trivalent seasonal influenza vaccines could be used in the 2026-27 season.

3. Why children aged 6 months to 18 years are recommended as a priority group to receive seasonal influenza vaccination?

- Seasonal influenza vaccination is recommended for children six months to 11 years for reducing influenza related complications such as excess hospitalisations or deaths.
- Local data have shown that seasonal influenza vaccination could effectively reduce the risk of severe influenza infection among children below 18 years of age.
- Overseas studies have shown that vaccinating young school children may potentially reduce school absenteeism and influenza transmission in the community.
- Taking reference from overseas practice and local experience, seasonal influenza vaccination continues to be recommended to secondary school students or adolescents 12 to under 18 years of age for the 2026-27 season.

4. How many doses of seasonal influenza vaccine (SIV) will my child need?

- One dose per year, except those under nine years of age who have never received any seasonal influenza vaccination before are recommended to receive two doses of SIV with a minimum interval of four weeks.

5. What is Inactivated Influenza Vaccine (IIV)?

- The IIV contains inactivated (killed) viruses. IIV is given by injection.

6. Who should not receive inactivated influenza vaccine (IIV)?

- People who have a history of severe allergic reaction to any vaccine component, or a previous dose of any influenza vaccine.
- Individuals with mild egg allergy who are considering an influenza vaccination can be given IIV in primary care setting; individuals with a history of anaphylaxis to egg should have seasonal influenza vaccine administered by healthcare professionals in appropriate medical facilities with capacity to recognise and manage severe allergic reactions. Influenza vaccine contains ovalbumin (an egg protein), but the vaccine manufacturing process involves repeated purification and the ovalbumin content is very low. Even people who are allergic to eggs are generally safe to receive vaccination. Please consult the doctor for details.
- Individuals with bleeding disorders or on anticoagulants, or currently pregnant or lactating should consult their doctors for advice.
- In case of fever or suffering from acute disease, serious chronic diseases, acute exacerbations of chronic disease on the day of vaccination, vaccination should be deferred till recovery or stabilization of the condition.

7. What are the possible side effects following inactivated influenza vaccine (IIV) administration?

- IIV is very safe and usually well tolerated apart from occasional soreness, redness or swelling at the injection site. Some recipients may experience fever, muscle pain, and tiredness beginning six to 12 hours after vaccination and lasting up to two days. If fever or discomforts persist, please consult a doctor.
- Immediate severe allergic reactions like hives, swelling of the lips or tongue, and difficulties in breathing are rare but require emergency consultation.

For more detailed information, please visit website of Centre for Health Protection of DH: <https://www.chp.gov.hk/en/features/100764.html>.



Electronic Health System (eHealth) - Annex

The Electronic Health System (eHealth) is a territory-wide, patient-oriented electronic sharing platform which enables authorised healthcare providing organisations in the public and private sectors to access and share participating patients' electronic health records (eHR) for healthcare purposes. After joining eHealth, DH, the Hospital Authority (HA), the PHCC, and healthcare facilities managed or controlled by the Government, the HA, or a HA subsidiary and individual private healthcare providers authorised by you can access your eHR on a need-to-know basis in the course of providing healthcare to enable more timely diagnosis and treatment, and reduce duplicate diagnostic tests. Joining eHealth is voluntary and free of charge. You can withdraw from eHealth or revoke any sharing consent given to a healthcare provider (other than DH, HA, PHCC, and healthcare facilities managed or controlled by the Government, the HA, or an HA subsidiary) anytime. **Citizens who registered with eHealth can check their vaccination record via the eHealth App.**

Please scan the QR code below to read and understand “Participant Information Notice” and “Personal Information Collection Statement”.

Participant Information Notice	Personal Information Collection Statement
	

For enquiries about registration or other issues about eHealth, please contact Electronic Health Record Registration Office at 3467 6300. For more information about eHealth, please visit the website at www.ehealth.gov.hk.