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To Principals/Supervisors of Kindergartens and Child Care Centres,

Introduction to Human Swine Influenza Vaccination Programme 2009/10

We are grateful for your ongoing support on the Childhood Influenza Vaccination Subsidy Scheme (CIVSS). This letter is written to provide information on Human Swine Influenza Vaccination Programme which will commence on 21 December this year.

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) is closely monitoring the latest overseas and local situation of human swine influenza (HSI). In preparation for the possible second wave of the pandemic, the Government secured the supply of HSI vaccine in November this year. Children aged between 6 months and below 6 years is one of the target groups recommended by the Scientific Committees under the CHP to receive HSI vaccination. Children of this age group require two doses of HSI vaccine given at least 3-week apart.

Starting from 21 December this year, the 12 Student Health Service Centres (SHSCs) and 3 Special Assessment Centres of the Department of Health will provide free HSI vaccination to eligible children. Prior appointment is required and parents should bring along their children's identity document(s) (preferably Hong Kong Identity Card/Hong Kong Birth Certificate) to one of the SHSCs in person for booking. The service hours of the centres is from 9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. and from 2:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. on weekdays (closed on Saturday, Sunday and public holiday). Please refer to the annex for the list of the centres.



Eligible children can also receive HSI vaccine from private doctors enrolled in the Human Swine Influenza Vaccination Subsidy Scheme (HSIVSS) starting from 28 December 2009. There will be a Government subsidy of HK\$129 (HK\$79 vaccine cost plus HK\$50 injection fee) for each dose of HSI vaccine received by eligible children. A list of participating doctors will be posted on the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) website (<http://www.chp.gov.hk>). Enrolled doctors will also display the scheme logo in their clinics for public reference.

For children aged 6 years or above but are still attending kindergartens or child care centres, they will also be entitled to receive free or subsidised vaccination mentioned above with proof of pre-primary education such as student handbook or any certifying document with school chop.

Please remind parents to bring along their children's immunization record together with the aforementioned valid identity document.

For more information, please visit the CHP website (<http://www.chp.gov.hk>) or call the Vaccination Office at 2125 2125 .

Thank you once again for your support on our vaccination programme.

Yours sincerely,



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Human Swine Influenza Vaccination for Children

With effect from 21 December 2009, Student Health Service Centres of the Department of Health will provide free Human Swine Influenza Vaccination service to children between the age of 6 months and less than 6 years who are Hong Kong residents. Children who are of age 6 or above and are still studying in kindergartens or child care centres could receive the vaccination as well (please bring along the Student Handbook or any certifying document with school chop for verification purpose). Starting from 14 December 2009, parents/guardians can bring along your children's valid identity document(s) and all immunization records and go to one of the following centres in person for booking (**There won't be telephone booking service**).

Alternatively, parents of children eligible for vaccination may bring them to a private doctor enrolled in the Human Swine Influenza Vaccination Subsidy Scheme. For more information on the subsidy scheme, please visit the CHP website at <http://www.chp.gov.hk>.

Service hours of centres in Student Health Service:

Monday to Friday: 9:00am to 12:45pm
2:00pm to 5:45pm
(Closed on Saturday, Sunday and Public Holiday)

Parents can browse our website <http://www.studenthealth.gov.hk> for the centre map

Hong Kong	Address	Contact Tel. no.
Chai Wan Student Health Service Centre	1/F Chai Wan Health Centre, 1 Hong Man Street, Chai Wan.	2556 0176 2556 0177
*Western Student Health Service Centre	13/F Western Harbour Centre, 181 Connaught Road West, Western.	2546 3367 2546 3392
Kowloon	Address	Contact Tel. no.
*Lam Tin Student Health Service Centre	5/F Lam Tin Polyclinic, 99 Kai Tin Road, Kwun Tong.	2717 0162 2717 0152
*Kowloon Bay Student Health Service Centre	7/F Kowloon Bay Health Centre, 9 Kai Yan Street, Kowloon Bay.	2756 2850 2756 3960
Kowloon City Lions Clubs Student Health Service Centre	1/F Lions Clubs Health Centre, 80 Hau Wong Road, Kowloon City.	2382 0176 2382 0177
*Tsz Wan Shan Wu York Yu Student Health Service Centre	2/F Wu York Yu Health Centre, 55 Sheung Fung Street, Tsz Wan Shan.	2326 7103 2326 7109
New Territories East	Address	Contact Tel. no.
Sha Tin Student Health Service Centre	1/F Sha Tin (Tai Wai) Clinic, 2 Man Lai Road, Tai Wai, Sha Tin.	2687 3020 2687 3021
*Tai Po Student Health Service Centre	2/F Tai Po Jockey Club Clinic, 37 Ting Kok Road, Tai Po.	2665 1720 2665 1026
*Shek Wu Hui Student Health Service Centre	2/F Shek Wu Hui Jockey Club Clinic, 108-130 Jockey Club Road, Sheung Shui.	2672 1052 2672 8976
New Territories West	Address	Contact Tel. no.
South Kwai Chung Student Health Service Centre	2/F South Kwai Chung Polyclinic, 310 Kwai Shing Circuit, Kwai Chung, Tsuen Wan.	2612 4355 2612 4356
Tuen Mun Student Health Service Centre	1/F Tuen Mun Clinic, 11 Tsing Yin Street, Tuen Mun.	2618 0590 2618 0617
*Yuen Long Student Health Service Centre	1/F Yuen Long Jockey Club Health Centre, 269 Castle Peak Road, Yuen Long.	2944 0146 2944 0576

Remarks : * Lift facilities available