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TO: Halton Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Emergency Departments, other Healthcare Providers

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RE: **Halton Region Public Health offering Community Immunization Clinics**

QUICK FACTS

- Halton Region Public Health is offering community immunization clinics on January 26 and 27, and from January 30 to February 3, 2023 to help students in **grades 7 to 12 (born in 2005-2010)** catch-up on missed doses of school-based vaccines.
- Eligible students will be offered the following vaccines:
 - Meningococcal ACYW-135 (Nimenrix®/ Menactra®)
 - Hepatitis B (Engerix®/ Recombivax®HB)
 - HPV-9 (Gardasil®9)
- **Individuals born in 2002-2004** may also receive the HPV and Meningococcal vaccines at these clinics.
- To offer school-based vaccines (Men-ACYW-135, HBV and HPV) in your clinic, please special order these, to ensure students have access to publicly-funded vaccine. Publicly-funded vaccine is not available at pharmacies. Special orders for school-based vaccines will continue to be processed as usual. Refer to [Vaccine Delivery Schedule](#).

KEY MESSAGES FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

- If your practice has already ordered and received school-based vaccines for a student in grade 7 to 12, please encourage the student/parents to make an appointment to receive the vaccines already allocated to them in your practice.
- If you have other eligible students in your practice, and would like them to attend a Regional clinic, please contact your patients to encourage them to book an appointment at halton.ca/immunize.
- The Ministry of Health has [extended eligibility](#) for school-based vaccines to August 31, 2023.

KEY MESSAGES FOR PATIENTS

- Parents/guardians should visit halton.ca/immunize to review and update their child's [immunization record online](#). Parents/guardians must [report](#) their child's immunizations to Halton Region Public Health when they receive any vaccine(s), unless the vaccine was administered at a Halton Region Public Health school or community clinic.
- Parents/guardians can visit halton.ca/immunize to learn more about eligibility, community clinic locations and schedules and to book an appointment online.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- [Publicly Funded Immunization Schedule for Ontario](#), Ministry of Health

Please report all suspected/confirmed cases of [Diseases of Public Health Significance](#) (only report COVID-19 cases occurring in high-risk settings) to Public Health immediately by calling 311, 905-825-6000 or toll free at 1-866-442-5866.

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