

30th March 2022

Invitation letter for parents of children aged 5 to 11 years of age

Dear Parent/Carer

COVID-19 vaccination for children aged 5 to 11 years of age

I am writing to inform you that Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust will be offering COVID-19 vaccinations to 5-11 years old from this April 2022 following the government announcement. This means that children within this age with no other underlying health conditions, will be offered two pediatric (child) doses vaccine with at least 12 weeks between doses.

This vaccination will not be delivered in schools; however the NHS wants to support families to make an informed choice, and to make things convenient and child-friendly for those who do decide to get it. You can get your child vaccinated at the mass vaccination centre between 8am and 4.30pm on Monday, Friday and Saturday at;

Lessof Auditorium, Education Centre University Hospital Lewisham High Street, Lewisham. London SE13 6LH

Appointments can be booked via the National Booking Service <u>https://nhsselvax.com/im-a-parent-or-carer/</u> Walk-ins are welcome, where we will offer vaccinations to this age group and older siblings, or other family members together at the same time.

The main purpose of the COVID-19 school age vaccination programme is to provide protection to the children who receive the vaccine and may help to reduce transmission of COVID-19 in the wider population.

Information about COVID-19 vaccines is available at:

COVID-19 Vaccination guide for parents of children aged 5 to 11

What to expect after your child's COVID-19 Vaccination

For further information or to speak to the Lewisham & Greenwich NHS Trust Vaccination Centre contact 02088364422.

Kind regards,

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