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Dear Parents and Carers,

East London NHS Foundation Trust, (ELFT) are managing the consent process and vaccination delivery for the COVID 19 vaccination programme for 12 – 15-year-olds in your child's school. A team from the Westfield Vaccination Centre will be administering the vaccinations on **Thursday 3rd February 2022**.

The clinic will operate outside of the normal school hours, however will be based on the school site.

We are running a clinic between **15:00pm and 18:00pm on Thursday 3rd February 2022**. If you meet the inclusion criteria for the vaccine, parents, carers and siblings are welcome to be vaccinated for either their first, second or booster vaccine at the same time as the school pupil.

****PARENTS / CARERS MUST ATTEND THE CLINIC WITH THEIR CHILD. ANY CHILD AGED 12-15 YEARS OLD THAT ATTENDS WITHOUT A PARENT / CARER WILL NOT BE VACCINATED****

Unfortunately we are unable to vaccinate extended members of the family. We are limited to offering this service to parents / carers or siblings only.

We would also ask if you are planning on taking up the offer for adult vaccination to please let your school administrator know, and to ensure you have your **NHS number** with you when you attend.

We will be using an electronic screening process to ensure that if your child falls into one of the categories below, consent may be declined by the clinical team, even if you have given consent, we will explain below why this may happen:

CHILDREN AGED 11

Some children aged 11 years fall into a school year group with 12 -15 year olds. However, pupils that are 11 years old are not eligible for the vaccine in this schools programme and should not have a 'yes' consent form completed. The vaccine is not yet licensed for 11 year olds.

CHILDREN AWAITING SECOND DOSE LESS THAN 12 WEEKS POST FIRST DOSE:

The current guidelines state that for healthy 12 -15 year olds, the interval between the first and second dose should be 12 weeks. Please note, that if your child has received their first dose in a time frame that doesn't allow for this gap, they will not be eligible for their second dose at the time of the clinic.

CHILDREN WHO HAVE HAD A POSITIVE PCR/LATERAL FLOW TEST IN THE LAST 12 WEEKS:

If your child has tested positive for COVID 19 they will need to wait for 12 weeks from the date of the positive result before they can receive their vaccine.

If your child is unable to receive the vaccine on the day of the clinic because of this reason you will be able to take them to a local vaccination centre to receive their vaccine once the 12 week period has ended.

CHILDREN WITH UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITIONS OR UNDER THE CARE OF A SPECIALIST:

There are very few children who cannot have the vaccine. Pupils who fall into this category will be screened for suitability to be vaccinated. If your child has an underlying health condition, please speak to your GP / specialist to seek advice and state this on the consent form.

There are community services that can provide the vaccination at a more convenient time. You are invited to book by dialling 119 for further details or by visiting the below website:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/find-a-walk-in-coronavirus-covid-19-vaccination-site/>

If you have any further questions, please email us at elft.wvc.schools@nhs.net or call into the Westfield Vaccination Centre between 8.30am and 7.00pm.

Regards,

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