



**HEPATITIS B
&
HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS (HPV) IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM**

To Parent/Guardian of Grade 5 Girls:

The hepatitis B and human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccines are being offered to all **female** students in grade 5. Each vaccine is given as a series of three doses. The first two doses will be given approximately two months apart. The final dose will be given approximately 6 months after the first dose. The vaccines are given in separate needles. This immunization will be given in the school by a nurse.

There are two separate consent forms, one for each vaccine.

- **Please read the enclosed information,**
- **Sign the consent for the vaccines you wish your child to receive,**
- **Return the consent to the school as soon as possible.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school nurse.

YOUR CHILD CANNOT BE IMMUNIZED WITHOUT YOUR SIGNED CONSENT.

Your child's immunization record will not be checked before the first immunization. Therefore, please phone the nurse for your school if:

- Your child has had a severe reaction to immunization in the past.
- Your child received the hepatitis B vaccine in the past.
- Your child received the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine in the past.

If your child is ill or absent on the day of immunization, the nurse will:

- Immunize your child the next time immunization is done at the school,

OR

- Send a notice home for you to take your child to the Health Centre for immunization.

For health advice and information 24 hours a day, seven days a week, call Health Link Alberta at 780-408-LINK (5465) or outside the local calling area, call toll-free 1-866-408-LINK. Visit www.capitalhealth.ca for health information online.