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Personal information. Once completed please
Return in a sealed envelope.

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child's annual flu vaccination is now due. It is important that you consent or decline the flu vaccination via the paper consent form. Failure to do this will result in further contact from the Immunisation Team to ensure that you have received the offer of vaccination.

This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu. A leaflet explaining the programme is enclosed.

In order for your child to receive their vaccination please complete the paper consent form (**one per child**) so that your child can be given the vaccine in school.

Please return you consent form as soon as possible to your school reception. Your school session date will be advertised on the school website.

If your school's scheduled date is late within the autumn term and you wish to vaccinate your child earlier, please contact the team and book your child into one of our community clinics.

The vaccination is a quick and simple spray up the nose. Even if your child had it last year, it is recommended to have the flu vaccine again this year.

Since the programme was introduced, most children offered the vaccine in schools have had the immunisation.

If you have any queries or would like any further information please contact the Immunisation team on 0300 421 8140. If you decide you do not want to vaccinate your child against flu, please return the consent form giving the reason. This will help us plan and improve the service.

Yours sincerely

Caroline Halford
Immunisation Team Lead

If your child becomes wheezy or has their asthma medication increased after you return this form, please contact the healthcare team on 0300 421 8140. For further information see: www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Gloucestershire Care Services will be merging with 2gether Trust on the 1st October 2019. This will not affect the flu programme, however future correspondence will be from Gloucestershire Health & Care NHS Foundation Trust.