

Durham Region Health Department FAX about...



For Health Care Professionals

## **School-Based Vaccine Orders**

The Durham Region Health Department (DRHD) continues to restore routine programing altered throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Accordingly, all eligible Grade 7 and 8 students will be offered School-Based Vaccines (SBV) through DRHD school-based immunization clinics. Effective immediately, SBV will only be available to order for individual clients in Grade 7 and 8 after a DRHD nurse has assessed the client is unable to receive the vaccine at a DRHD clinic. Individual SBV orders will continue to be approved for Grade 9-12 students to support catch-up for these age groups. Existing supply of any SBV currently in your fridge may be used to initiate or complete a vaccine series for eligible high school students (Grade 9-12) only.

Health care providers (HCP) may submit batch orders for small quantities of Men-C-ACYW-135 to support **overdue Grade 8-12 students** who missed receiving this vaccine at a DRHD clinic.

## **Reminders:**

- It is safe for students to receive multiple vaccines at one time, including SBV
- SBV are publicly funded, and students should not be charged
- Review patient immunization history and eligibility criteria prior to administering any vaccine
- Use up-to-date and applicable vaccine order forms (<u>www.durham.ca/hcp</u>)
- Ensure temperature logs are submitted since last vaccine order to DRHD at 905-666-6214
- As a Ministry of Health requirement, report any administered SBV doses to DRHD:
  - Complete and give parents/guardians/students a "Vaccinate...then Update!" form AND instruct parents/guardians/students to view and report their child's immunizations online through Immunization Connect Ontario (ICON) at <u>www.durham.ca/immunize</u>. Tear off forms can be requested with monthly vaccine orders OR
  - Fax the completed "Vaccinate...then Update!" form directly to DRHD at 905-666-6214.

## Need help with the Ontario Publicly Funded Immunization Schedules?

- Refer to Ontario's Publicly Funded Immunization Schedules
- For eligible cohorts and timing, see <u>Guidance for Routine & Catch Up Immunization Services</u>.
- See Canadian Immunization Guide: Part 4 Active Vaccines
- Contact the Durham Region Health Department at 905-668-7711 ext. 6242.

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