

Health Protection and Immunisations for young people

School Nurse Infographic

This infographic provides access to best practice ideas and resources for school nurses to use with young people to help engagement with immunisation literacy and health protection activities. It includes interactive links and is designed to be accessed online. If you are viewing a hard copy visit www.ayph.org.uk/resources to access the interactive version.

The School Nursing Workforce is well placed to ensure children, young people and families understand their health and wellbeing, the importance of health protection including immunisations and the key public health issues faced in childhood as clearly outlined in the [PHE national guidance for commissioning of school nursing](#).

[All Our Health](#) is a Public Health England initiative to promote and protect health. It includes a range of useful evidence and guidance for all health professionals working with young people including resources and best practice.

Involving young people

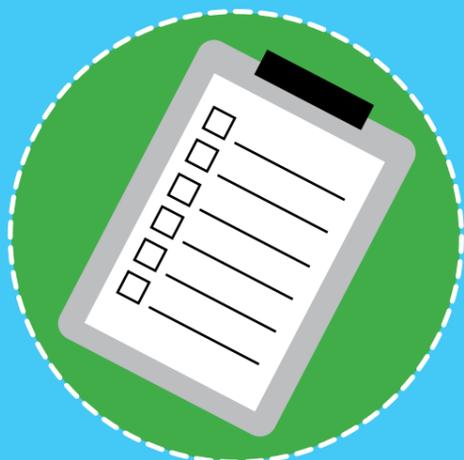
'Young people who understand the reasons for good practice are more likely to engage with health protecting behaviours'.

Involving young people in health protection is key to success.



Health assessment and health screening

The [Healthy Child Programme 5-19](#) and the [4,5,6 Model](#) include frameworks for health assessment and screening. Both assessment and screening are key actions for health protection enabling prevention and early intervention.



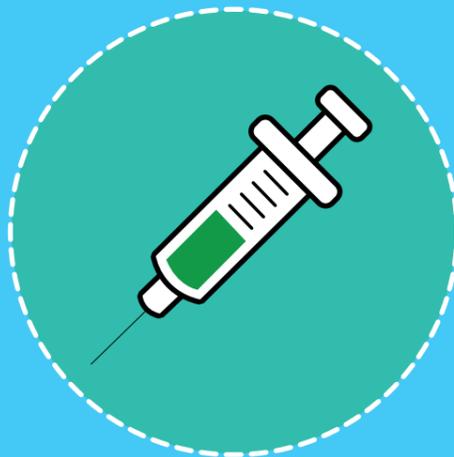
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Immunisation

Public health immunisation programmes are key to protecting young people. Useful resources include:

- [NHS vaccination planner](#)
- [Immunisations for young people](#) a Government booklet to support secondary school aged immunisations
- [NICE clinical knowledge summary on childhood immunisations](#)
- [NICE Guidance on reducing differences in immunisation uptake in under 19s](#)



Anti Microbial Resistance:

There is increasing evidence that certain bacteria are becoming resilient to every antibiotic we have available, more information is available [here](#). Public Health England recommend [Antibiotic Guardian](#) resources to support learning.

[Digital badges](#) can support work with young people and there is an [Antibiotic Guardian Participator Badge](#) and a [Junior Antibiotic Guardian Badge](#).

The [E-bug](#) resources for teachers and young people have been well evaluated in many countries. The teaching pack has been found to demonstrate a significant improvement in students' knowledge. E-bug contains rich and well researched content including, [Harvard University resources](#).



Handwashing

Health protecting behaviours such as handwashing can reduce transmission of infections. The World Health Organisation has a range of useful resources and evidence including [handwashing posters](#).