



OXFORD VACCINE GROUP

An Investigation Exploring Whooping Cough Protection in Children and Adults

Information Booklet (7-10yrs)

We would like you to help us learn more about a disease called whooping cough.

We will tell you all about what we would like to do. After you have read this booklet and spoken to your mum or dad, you can choose if you would like to help us.

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Who are we?

We are a team of doctors, nurses and play assistants, also called a study team, who want to know more about vaccines.

What are Vaccines?

Vaccines are a type of medicine that can help stop you from being poorly. They help your body fight germs that make you unwell, like the one that causes whooping cough. Vaccines are usually injections, which are given in your arm

What is whooping cough?

Whooping cough is a disease caused by a germ that can make you cough, and sometimes makes it hard to breathe. Very small babies and older people can be very unwell if they are infected by this germ and might need to go to hospital. You have already had a vaccine to help stop you getting this germ when you were small.

What do we want to know?

We want to know more about the whooping cough vaccine and how it works in children, teenagers and adults.

What would happen to me?

The whooping cough team would come to your home 4 times. You would have the injection in your arm the first time we see you. An injection does hurt a little bit but not for very long.

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What would happen after I had the vaccine?

Sometimes your arm can feel a bit warm or sore where the injection was. It can also be a little bit red or bruised. Some children can feel poorly or hot afterwards, but it does not usually last for very long.

If you do feel poorly, you should tell your mum or dad or the people you live with since they know how to make you feel better again.

What are the good things about taking part?

The vaccine helps to stop the germ that can give you whooping cough. You would be helping us to learn more about the vaccine and this illness. This may help other children from getting unwell later on.

Who would know if I take part?

Your mum and dad, your doctors and the whooping cough team would know that you are taking part, but no one else would know unless you want to tell them. Your name and your address will not be given to anyone. To make sure of this, we would use a special code for all the information we collect about you.

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Do I have to take part?

Not if you do not want to. If you have any questions, you should ask your mum or dad or the whooping cough team, who can answer all your questions. You do not have to decide now, and even if your mum or dad want you to be in the study, you can still say no.

If you do say yes, you can change your mind at any time.

What do I do now?

Talk to your mum or dad about taking part. If you would like to take part, ask your mum and dad to talk to the whooping cough team.

Thank you,

The Whooping Cough Team

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