

Dear Parents / Guardians of Distributed Learning and Homeschooled Students

**Re: The Grade 6 and Grade 9 School Immunization Program and other Public Health Services**

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Grade 6 and Grade 9 students are eligible for free vaccine provided by Public Health Nurses. Immunization is the best way to protect your child against many serious diseases.

This letter is to let you know that Grade 6 and Grade 9 students are eligible for publicly funded vaccine provided by Public Health Nurses. Immunization is the best way to protect your child against many serious diseases.

The following vaccines are offered:

- Grade 6 students - Chickenpox (Varicella), Hepatitis B, and Human Papillomavirus
- Grade 9 students - Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis and Meningococcal Quadrivalent

For more information visit [www.healthlinkbc.ca](http://www.healthlinkbc.ca) > HealthlinkBC files. Under the title **Back to School** you will find "[Grade 6 Immunizations in BC](#)" and "[Grade 9 Immunizations in BC](#)".

Please contact your local [Public Health Centre](#) to book an appointment for your child's immunizations. Go to [www.interiorhealth.ca](http://www.interiorhealth.ca) > **Find Us** > **Find a Service** > and search "immunizations" to find Child and Youth Immunization services at a Public Health Centre near you. Public Health Centre phone numbers are also listed on the back page.

Public Health provides other services for youth and their families. For more information see the Interior Health Website at [www.interiorhealth.ca](http://www.interiorhealth.ca) > **Your Health** > **School Health** or contact your local public health centre to speak to a public health nurse.

Sincerely,

Public Health Nurse

## Public Health Centres

IH West	IH Central	IH East
100 Mile House ....250-395-7676	Armstrong .....250-546-4727	Castlegar .....250-365-7711
Ashcroft .....250-453-1940	Enderby .....250-838-2450	Cranbrook.....250-420-2207
Barriere .....250-672-5515	Kelowna .....250-868-7700	Creston .....250-428-3873
Chase .....250-679-1418	Keremeos .....250-499-3029	Fernie .....250-423-8288
Clearwater .....250-674-3141	Lumby .....250-547-2164	Golden .....250-344-3001
Kamloops .....250-851-7300	Oliver .....250-498-5080	Grand Forks .....250-443-3150
Lillooet .....250-256-1314	Osoyoos.....250-495-6433	Invermere .....250-342-2360
Logan Lake .....250-378-3400	Penticton .....250-770-3434	Kaslo .....250-353-2291
Merritt .....250-378-3400	Princeton.....250-295-4442	Kimberley .....250-427-2215
Williams Lake .....250-302-5000	Revelstoke .....250-814-2244	Midway .....250-440-2887
	Rutland .....250-980-4825	Nakusp .....250-265-3608
	Salmon Arm .....250-833-4100	Nelson .....250-505-7200
	Sicamous .....250-836-4835	Salmo .....250-357-9511
	Summerland .....250-404-8050	Sparwood .....250-425-2064
	Vernon .....250-549-5721	Trail .....250 364-6219
	West Kelowna.....250-980-5150	