

To students and guardians

## Appointment for vaccination to prevent cervical cancer (HPV vaccine)

According to national child immunisation programme recommendations, girls in 7th grade are being offered vaccination against human papilloma virus (HPV).

The HPV vaccine Gardasil is used in the child immunisation programme. It protects against the two cancer-causing viruses HPV 16 and 18, which are causing 70 per cent of cervical cancer cases in Norway. The vaccine also protects against genital warts caused by HPV 6 and 11.

The vaccine consists of three doses given over a one-year period.

Those who receive this form should also have received the information brochure *About the HPV vaccine in the child immunisation programme*, issued by the Norwegian Institute of Public Health. The school nurse can provide more information about cervical cancer and the HPV vaccine. You can also visit the website of the Norwegian Institute of Public Health: [www.fhi.no/hpv-vaksine](http://www.fhi.no/hpv-vaksine)

As with all vaccines in the child immunisation programme, vaccination is voluntary. The girls should be well informed about the vaccine, and the girls' own opinion should be taken into consideration.

The first dose of HPV vaccine is scheduled for:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Place: \_\_\_\_\_

The second dose is usually given two months after the first, and the last dose is given six months after the first dose. The school nurse will schedule appointments for the last two doses.

Jeg/vi ønsker at mitt/vårt barn  to be vaccinated with HPV vaccine  
 not to be vaccinated with HPV vaccine

Name of student: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent or guardian: \_\_\_\_\_