KANTON AARGAU

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Vaccination against human papilloma viruses (HPV)

Dear parents and carers
Dear students

More than 70 out of every 100 sexually active people will be infected during their lifetime with human papilloma viruses (HPV), usually without knowing or noticing that this is the case. To find out more about this, please see the attached FOPH flyer "Cancer and genital warts: Protect yourself before you have sex for the first time".

Worldwide, the human papilloma viruses are the most frequent cause of sexually-transmitted infections. Because infection can also occur as the result of contact with skin or mucous membranes, use of condoms cannot provide complete protection against HPV infection.

The HPV vaccination offers reliable protection against the types of viruses that are among the most frequent causes of such conditions. It is recommended for young people aged between 11 and 26 inclusive and should be administered if possible before a person's first sexual contact.

In cooperation with school doctors, the Lungenliga Aargau Vaccination Service is carrying out vaccinations at all state schools within Aargau as part of the canton-wide HPV vaccination programme. You can catch up on any vaccinations you have missed at the walk-in centre of the Lungenliga Aargau Vaccination Service in Aarau. Concerned young adults up to the age of 26 can also have a free of charge HPV vaccination at the walk-in centre. For those below the age of majority, vaccination by the Vaccination Service is **permissible only with the consent of their parent or carer.**

The Lungenliga Aargau Vaccination Service will be happy to help if you have any questions. You can reach us by phone from Monday to Thursday between 8 AM and 11:30 AM on telephone number 062 832 40 04 or by email at impfdienst@llag.ch.

Kind regards

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Attachment mentioned