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30 May 2025

Dear Principal / Person-in-charge,

**Re: Results of Immunisation Survey on Preschool Children 2024 and
Reminder to Parents on Keeping Vaccinations of their Children Up-to-date**

The Department of Health conducted periodic territory-wide immunisation surveys to estimate the immunisation coverage for vaccines under the Hong Kong Childhood Immunisation Programme (HKCIP) among children attending pre-primary institutions. The latest survey was conducted in 2024 for children aged 3 to 5 years (born between 2018 and 2020). The survey results showed that the overall immunisation coverage rates of all vaccines under HKCIP were above 97%. On the other hand, children who were born outside Hong Kong or had not resided in Hong Kong before two years old generally had lower immunisation coverage for some vaccines under the HKCIP (e.g. measles-containing vaccine, varicella vaccine, pneumococcal vaccine). For details of the survey results, please visit the Centre for Health Protection's webpage (https://www.chp.gov.hk/files/pdf/cdw_v21_5.pdf).

Vaccination is the most effective way to prevent measles, pertussis, as well as other vaccine-preventable diseases (such as chickenpox and pneumococcal diseases); and high immunisation coverage is necessary for effective prevention and control of disease outbreaks. The recent re-emergence of measles and pertussis affecting many non-immune or under-vaccinated children in some regions outside Hong Kong underscores the importance of timely vaccination for maintaining high vaccination rates and herd immunity within the community.



As any delays in vaccination will weaken the protection for children against relevant infectious diseases, we would like to solicit your support to remind parents of your students to maintain an up-to-date immunisation for their children for the timely and comprehensive protection. Relevant information about immunisation for parents can be found on the website of the Family Health Service under the Department of Health (https://www.fhs.gov.hk/english/health_info/child/14828.html).

Thank you for your unfailing support in prevention and control of communicable diseases.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Dr Albert AU', written in a cursive style.

(Dr Albert AU)
for Controller, Centre for Health Protection
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