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Flu Vaccination Risk Assessment

We would like to request a copy of the risk assessment prior to the rollout of the flu vaccine in Belfast Royal Academy.

The information requested is not held. Individual school risk assessments are not held by Belfast Trust.

The School Nursing Service delivers the Department of Health commissioned, school-based flu vaccination programme regionally within schools. This is in accordance with and adhering to all Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI), Department of Health, Public Health Agency and local Trust policy and guidance.

The Belfast Trust School Nursing Service only delivers the vaccination programme within schools in Belfast. Only school children whose parents or carers have explicitly consented to their child receiving the vaccine, and have provided written informed consent, will receive the vaccine in school.

Safe and effective vaccine delivery is of paramount importance. Robust governance arrangements are in place adhering to all specified local, regional and national protocols and guidance, and delivered by an appropriately skilled and trained nursing workforce. This ensures that all risk assessment for the safe delivery of the flu vaccination programme, has been identified, and controls put in place as needed.