



Sharing Success: Bringing MenB Vaccinations to Students

CPWY was delighted to visit and observe a fantastic MenB Vaccination Clinic delivered by the team at Medicare Chemists in partnership with Huddersfield New College, a brilliant example of collaboration improving access to vital vaccinations for young people.

During the two-hour clinic, 53 Year 13 students received their first MenB vaccination, helping protect them against meningococcal disease before starting university or college this autumn. Students were also encouraged to return for their second dose to ensure they receive the full benefit of the vaccination programme.

"Building a strong relationship with the college was the key to making this clinic a success."

Fahad Rehman, Vaccinating Pharmacist

Fahad explained that the college's support was instrumental in getting the clinic off the ground. By sending invitations and the NHS booking link directly to their Year 13 students and crucially, to their parents, the college helped drive engagement. An interesting insight from the day was that many appointments had been booked by parents, highlighting the important role they play in encouraging vaccine uptake.

The success of the event also attracted local media attention, with Calendar News attending the clinic and featuring the MenB Vaccination Programme in a later news broadcast. The coverage helped raise awareness of meningococcal vaccination while showcasing the valuable contribution community pharmacy makes to protecting local communities.



A huge well done to Asghar, Fahad and the entire Medicare Chemists team for delivering such a successful off-site MenB Vaccination Clinic. Their commitment, partnership working and proactive approach have:

- Protected more young people against meningococcal disease.
- Increased awareness of the MenB Vaccination Programme.
- Demonstrated the flexibility and innovation of community pharmacy.
- Raised the profile of community pharmacy as a trusted provider of NHS vaccination services.

This is a fantastic example of what can be achieved through collaboration and a shared commitment to improving public health. Congratulations on an outstanding success!