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## Jamboree Flash Update

### Immunizations

For the benefit of individual health as well as that of the community in general, the WSJ Medical Team recommends attendees to the 2019 World Scout Jamboree obtain age-appropriate immunizations.

Vaccine-preventable diseases cause long-term illness, hospitalization, and even death.

**Vaccines lower your chance of getting certain diseases.** Vaccines work with your body's natural defenses to help you safely develop immunity to disease, reducing your likelihood of getting certain diseases and suffering from their complications.

Vaccination is one of several lifestyle choices that the World Health Organization (WHO) encourages all members of the world scouting family to support.

The following immunizations are strongly recommended:

- Tetanus
- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Diphtheria
- Pertussis
- Meningococcal
- Polio
- Measles, mumps, rubella
- Varicella
- Influenza

### Immunization Exemption

The World Scout Jamboree recommends age-appropriate immunizations for anyone attending the Jamboree. This includes up-to-date tetanus vaccination, i.e. within 10 years of the Jamboree.

However, the WSJ also respects the wishes of anyone who on the basis of religious, philosophical, or medical grounds requests the exemption from any and all forms of vaccination or immunization.

## Examples

### For individuals who answer "No" to the Immunization Exemption question

If an individual who has not previously received tetanus vaccination, is not up-to-date, or the tetanus vaccination is questionable, presents with a laceration, wound, or injury in which a tetanus vaccination is indicated, the Jamboree medical staff will recommend and administer a tetanus vaccination.

### For individuals who answer "Yes" to the Immunization Exemption question **AND** complete and file an Immunization Exemption form

If, on the other hand, the individual has claimed Immunization Exemption and completed and filed the appropriate form, then a tetanus vaccination would **NOT** be administered. The health risks associated with not being immunized will then be discussed with the individual and appropriate parties.