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## Two 'green book' (Immunisation against infectious disease) chapters updated

**The consent and vaccine safety and adverse events chapters have recently been updated**

UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) have published two updated chapters (2 and 8) in the 'green book' (Immunisation against infectious disease).

### Chapter 2; Consent [1]

Key updates in this [revised chapter](#) include:

- Changes to the section on disagreement between parents and the role of Gillick competency in such situations.

### Chapter 8; Vaccine safety and adverse events following immunisation [2]

Key updates in this [revised chapter](#) include:

- Updates to the WHO definitions of adverse events following immunisation
- Updates to immunisation error and vaccine adverse event sections
- New paragraphs defining anxiety related adverse events and vaccine product quality adverse events
- Changes to managing common vaccine-induced adverse events to include management of fever following (Bexsero) 4CMenB vaccine administration
- Changes to the section on thiomersal to clarify that this is no longer used in vaccines routinely administered to children
- New section on hypotonic-hyporesponsive episodes following vaccination
- Updates to the section on recognition and management of anaphylaxis
- References updated

## Resources

- [UK Health Security Agency: Immunisation against infectious disease, index page](#)

## References

1. [UK Health Security Agency: Immunisation against infectious disease Chapter 2](#)
2. [UK Health Security Agency: Immunisation against infectious disease Chapter 8](#)