

## CONSENT FORM:

We, the nat. parents/custodians of \_\_\_\_\_ currently staying with **into** Schüleraustausch in Austria give permission that our son/daughter should be vaccinated against early summer meningitis encephalitis (FSME) which can be transferred by ticks. We understand that the cost will be covered by the medical insurance.

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### Vaccine against Early Summer Meningitis-Encephalitis (FSME) (the “tick shot”)

#### Why a vaccine?

This illness can be transmitted by ticks found especially in the wooded areas of Austria including the Vienna Woods, the Wachau, Styria, Carinthia and Burgenland.

The complete vaccination is a series of three intra-muscular injections, preferably given in the cold season (before the tick season), according to the following schedule:

- First and second injection with an interval of 2 weeks to 3 months.
- Third injection after 9 months to 1 year.
- The first booster injection (one single dose) 3 years after the third injection.

All boosters after the first booster are repeated every 5 years.

PROTECTION STARTS AFTER THE SECOND INJECTION AND IS COMPLETE AFTER THE THIRD INJECTION.

#### Contraindications

- An allergy to chicken protein (egg whites)
- Acute febrile illness (fever).
- Recent exposure to a viral infection (e.g. chickenpox, measles, mumps, etc.).
- Recent recovery from an illness affecting the central nervous system (e.g. polio, meningitis, etc.).
- Severe neuritis (e.g. sciatica, herpes zoster (shingles) etc.).
- A recent tick bite.

It is recommended to allow an interval of one week before having any other immunizations (e.g. polio, yellow fever, cholera, etc.).