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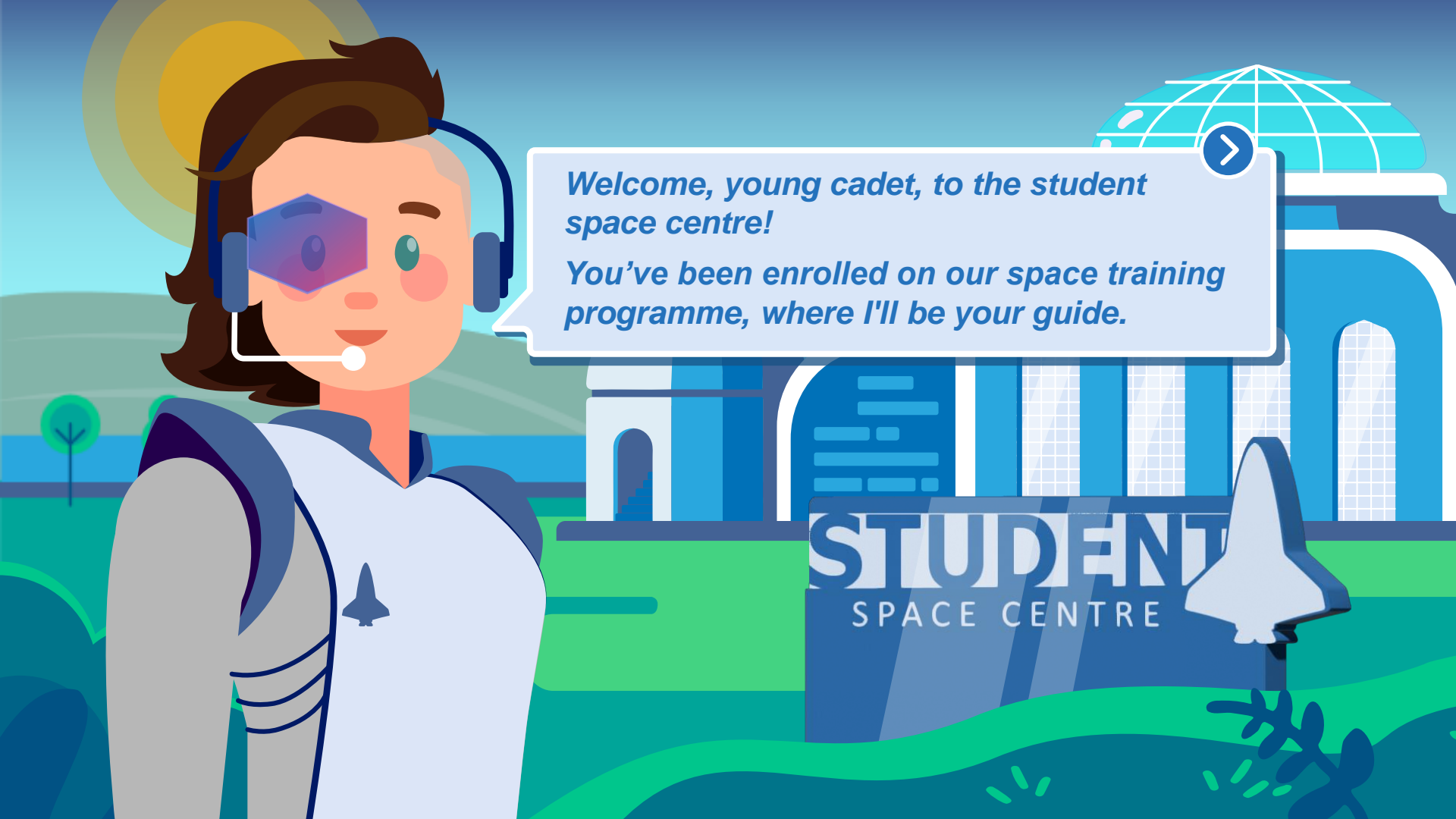


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LAUNCH THE LESSON





*Welcome, young cadet, to the student
space centre!*

*You've been enrolled on our space training
programme, where I'll be your guide.*


STUDENT
SPACE CENTRE



*Upon completion of initial training,
you will be sent on a perilous mission
to dangerous new worlds.*

Are you up to the challenge?

CONTINUE



*There are many things you will learn in this programme.
By the end of your mission training, you should...*

MISSION BRIEFING



Be aware of the vaccinations you received as a child, as well as those you are **scheduled** to receive as a teenager.



Know that by having your vaccinations, you are **helping protect others** as well as **yourselves**.



Feel confident about vaccinations and understand their important role in **protecting you from serious diseases**.

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What are vaccines?



A vaccine is a type of medicine that doesn't make you better. **Instead, it keeps you from getting sick in the first place.**

It does this by teaching your body to fight off germs like viruses and bacteria.¹



Vaccines protect you by giving you a **tiny amount of a live germ**, or by giving you a **version of the germ that is dead.**

Your body will do the rest of the work.²

1. How to Explain Vaccines to Children. Available at: <https://www.parents.com/health/coronavirus/how-to-explain-vaccines-to-kids/> (accessed 05 June 2023);
2. A Kid's Guide to Shots. Available at: <https://kidshhealth.org/en/kids/guide-shots.html> (accessed 05 June 2023).

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Types of vaccines?



Inactivated vaccines:

Use the **killed version of the germ** that causes a disease. These don't usually provide protection that's as strong as live vaccines, so **you may need several doses over time** to get ongoing immunity against a disease.

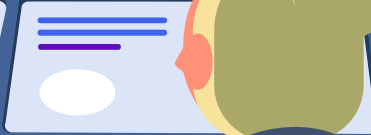


Live-attenuated vaccines:

Use a **weakened form of the germ** that causes a disease. These vaccines are like the natural infection they help to prevent, so they create a strong and long-lasting immune response, and just **1 or 2 doses can provide lifetime protection**.

NHS. Why vaccination is safe and important. Available at: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/why-vaccination-is-safe-and-important/> (accessed 6 June 2023).

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Why do we need vaccines?



Immunisation currently prevents **3.5–5 million deaths** every year.

There are now vaccines to prevent more than **20 life-threatening diseases**, which helps people of all ages to **live longer, healthier lives**.



WHO. Vaccines and Immunization – Overview. Available at: https://www.who.int/health-topics/vaccines-and-immunization#tab=tab_1 (accessed June 2023).

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You may need vaccines to allow you to travel.

Not all vaccinations are needed in the UK, and you may only require certain ones when travelling to **areas of high risk** in other countries.¹



You may be **more at risk** if you are travelling to **rural areas, backpacking, staying in hostels or camping or going on a longer trip** rather than a package holiday.²

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2. NHS. Travel vaccinations. Available at: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/travel-vaccinations/> (accessed June 2023).

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Vaccinations have protected you since you were a baby.



In the UK, you have your very first vaccines when you are just **8 weeks old**, and these continue throughout your life.^{1,2}



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8 weeks^{1,2}

- 6-in-1
- Rotavirus
- Meningitis B

- 12 weeks^{1,2}
- 6-in-1
 - Rotavirus
 - PCV



- 16 weeks^{1,2}
- 6-in-1
 - Meningitis B

1 year^{1,2}

- Hib/Meningitis C
- MMR
- PCV
- Meningitis B

- 3 years and 4 months^{1,2}
- MMR
 - 4-in-1



- 2–16 years^{1–3}
- Annual flu

- Teenage^{1,2}
- HPV (12–13 years)
 - 3-in-1 (14 years)
 - Meningitis ACWY (14 years)

Vaccinations have protected you since you were a baby.

Your teenage vaccinations are **just as important** as those you have received in your life so far.

As a teenager you are **vaccinated against HPV and Meningitis ACWY**, and given boosters of your protection against **tetanus, diphtheria and polio**, which you were first vaccinated against as a baby. You will also receive yearly vaccinations **against flu**.^{1,2}

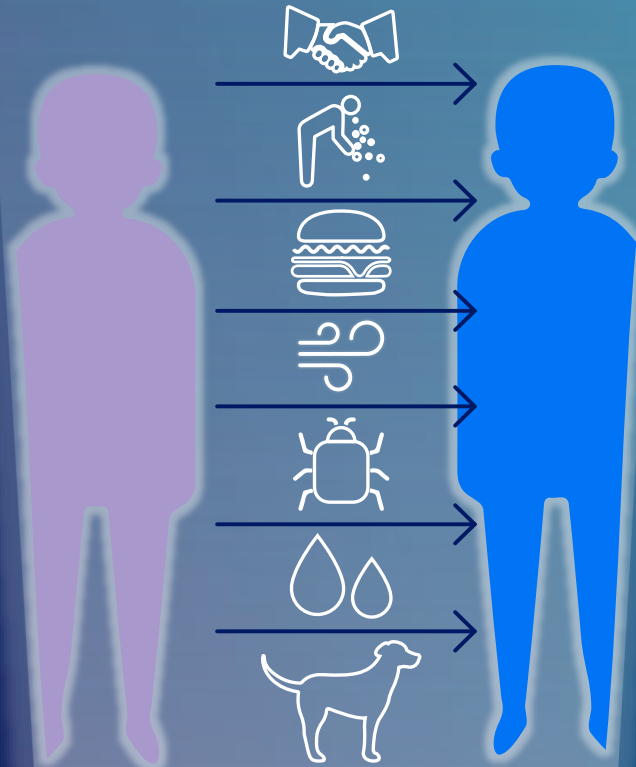
You may also be offered other vaccinations, to keep you up to date, or as **new vaccination programmes are introduced**.

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3. UKHSA (PR). All secondary school pupils eligible for free flu vaccine. Available at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/all-secondary-school-pupils-eligible-for-free-flu-vaccine#:~:text=All%20secondary%20school%20pupils%20in, follow%20at%20a%20later%20date> (last accessed July 2023).





How are diseases passed amongst people?

Diseases can be transmitted by:

- Direct contact
- Indirect contact
- Food
- Water
- Air
- Insect
- Rabid animal

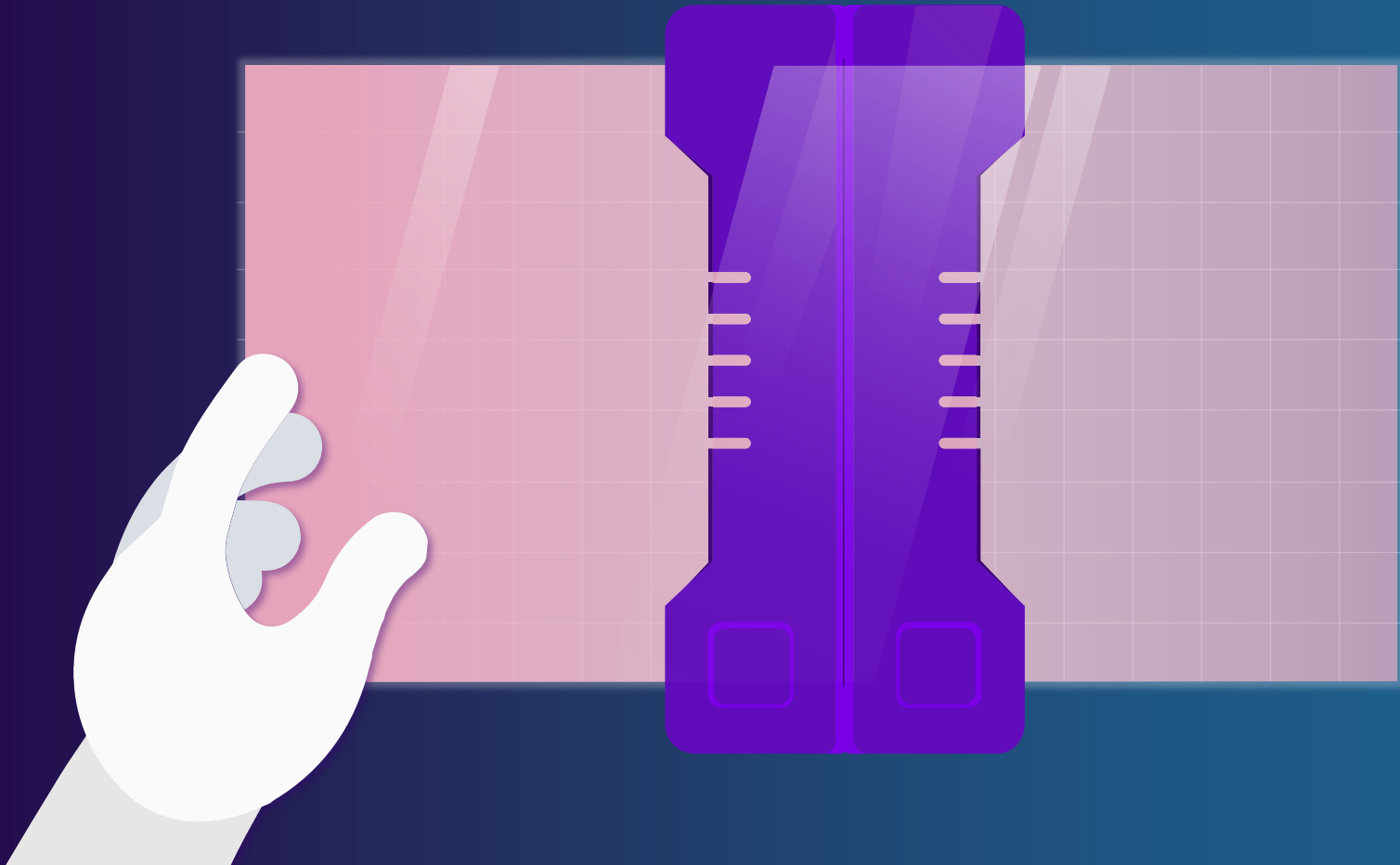
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Congratulations on completing initial training!

*To commemorate your success, I present to you
your very own Portable Navigation Device (PND).*





Congratulations, cadet! This is your very own Portable Navigation Device (PND).

Not only will it keep you in communication with mission control, but it will also help you reveal info and uncover secrets on your journey!

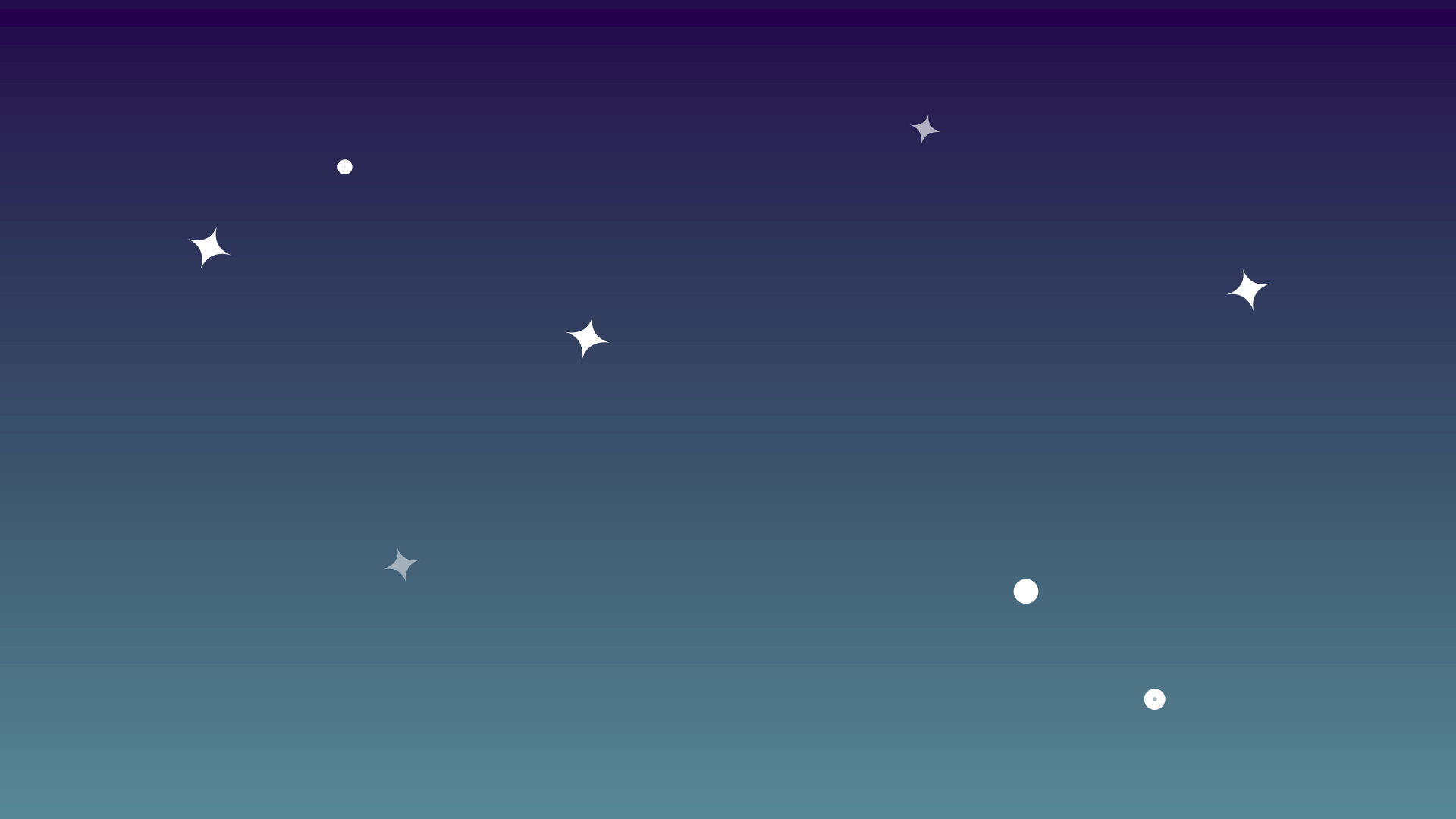




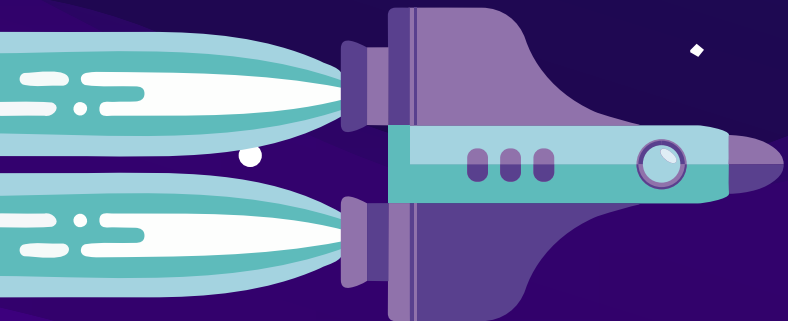
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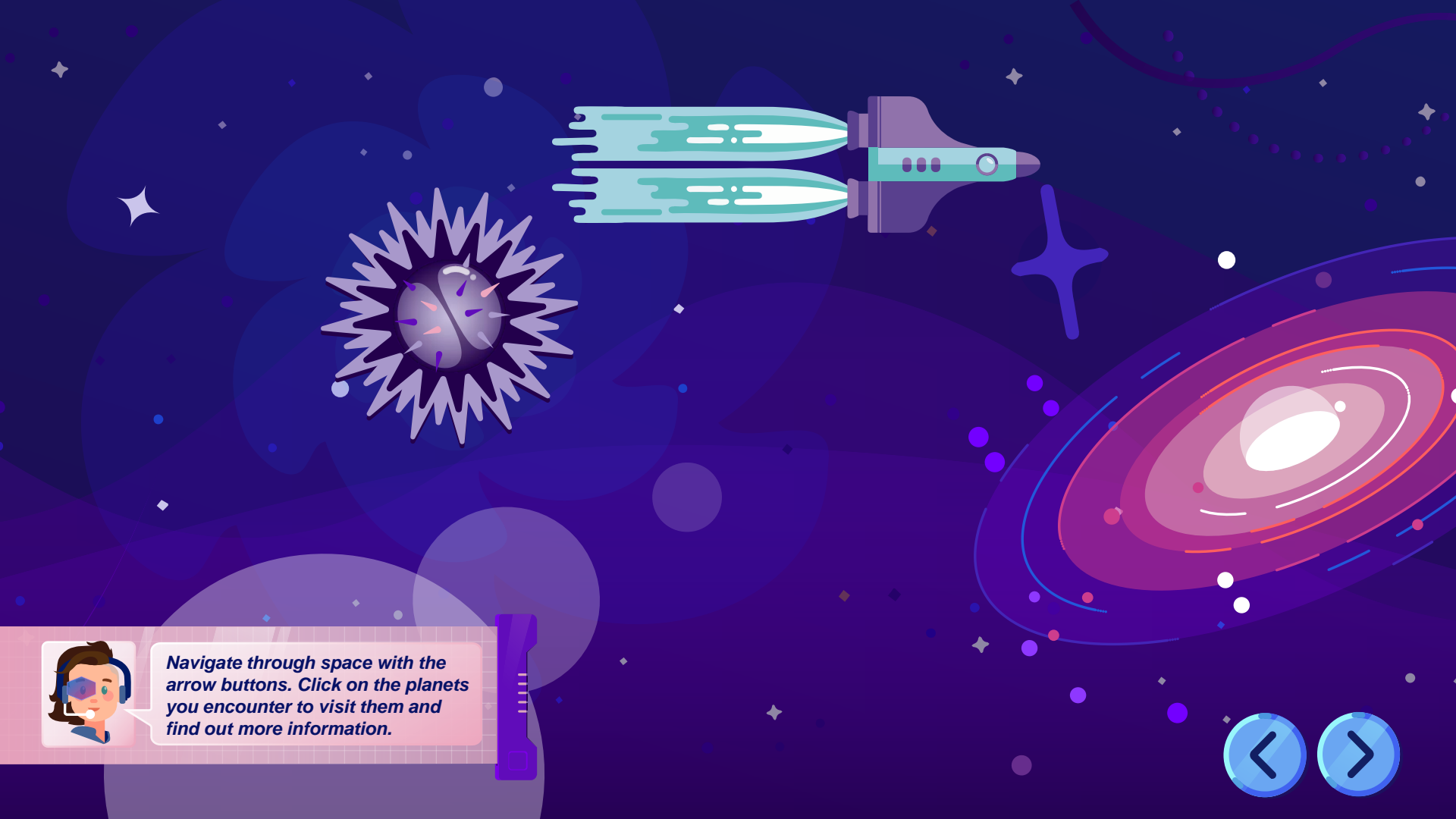
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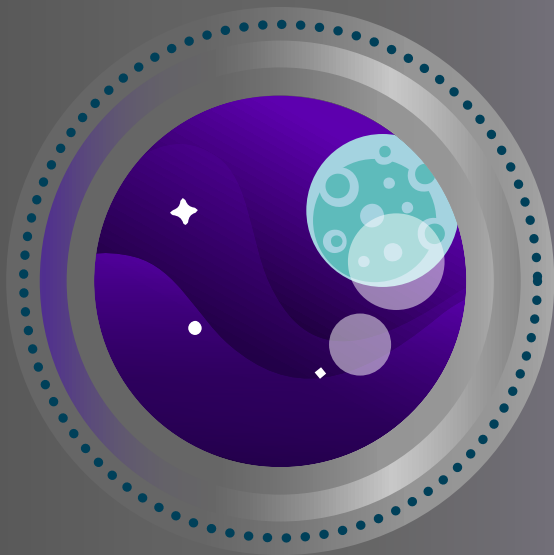
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Several diseases are **more dangerous** for the elderly compared with younger people. The elderly have **less efficient immune systems**, reducing their ability to develop protection from vaccines, and increasing their chance of more severe outcomes to disease.⁴

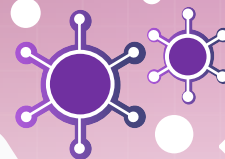
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By getting your vaccinations when you are young, you can help **decrease the spread of disease in your community**, and protect those more vulnerable.⁴

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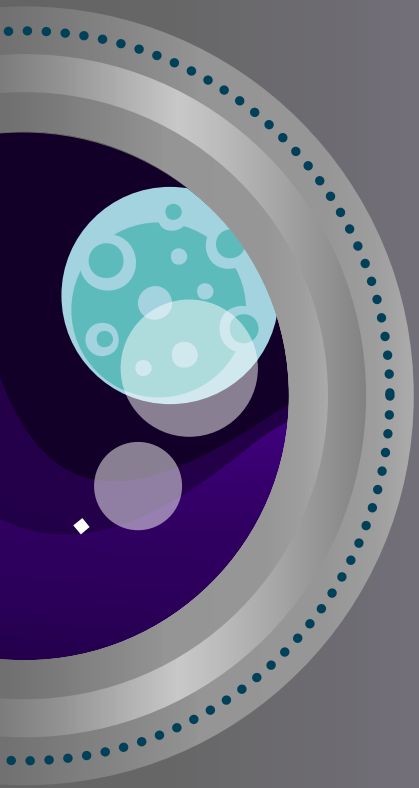
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- **People with weakened immune systems** who cannot be vaccinated are particularly **at risk**.¹
- **Babies who are too young to be vaccinated**¹
- **People who have recently had a blood transfusion or received other blood products**³

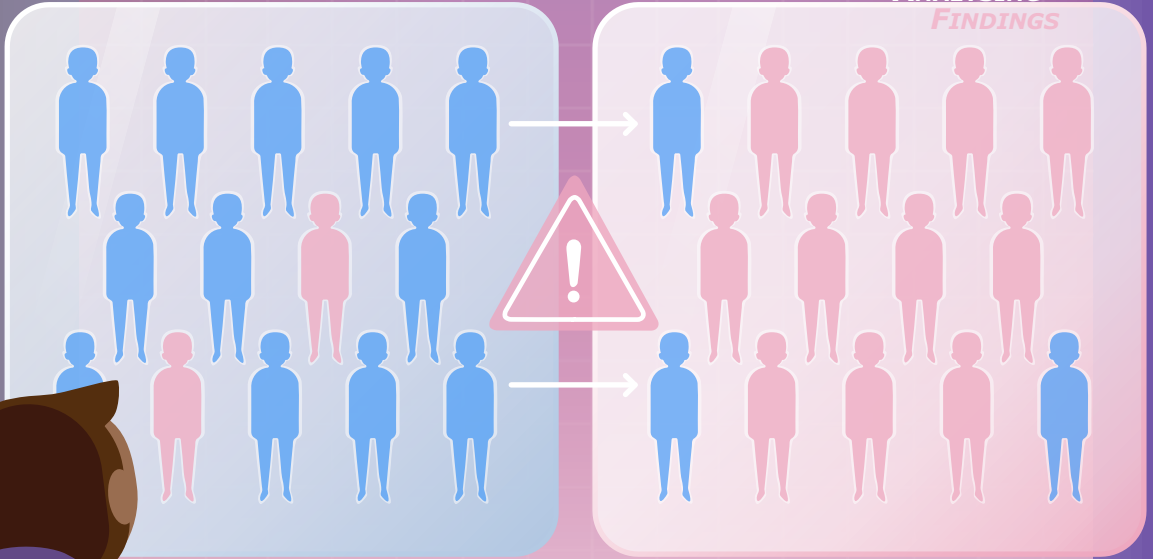
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4. Crooke SN, et al. Immun Ageing. 2019 Sep 13;16:25.





■ Infected ■ Unvaccinated ■ Vaccinated

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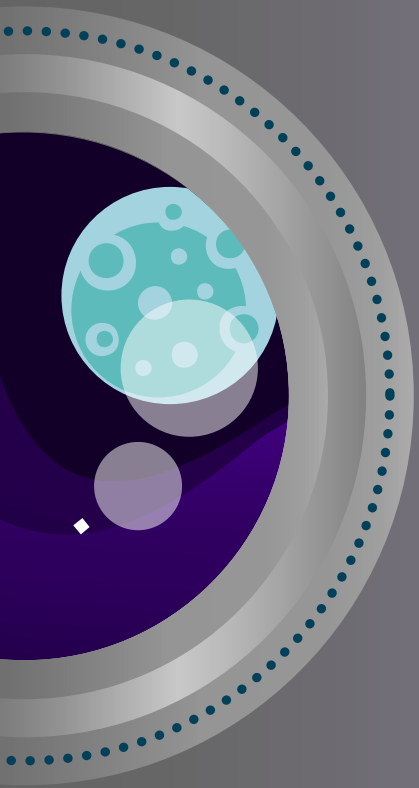


Vaccination is important to protect others around you.

- The importance of vaccination for herd immunity can be observed with the on-screen visuals.
- If no-one is vaccinated, contagious disease will spread throughout the population.

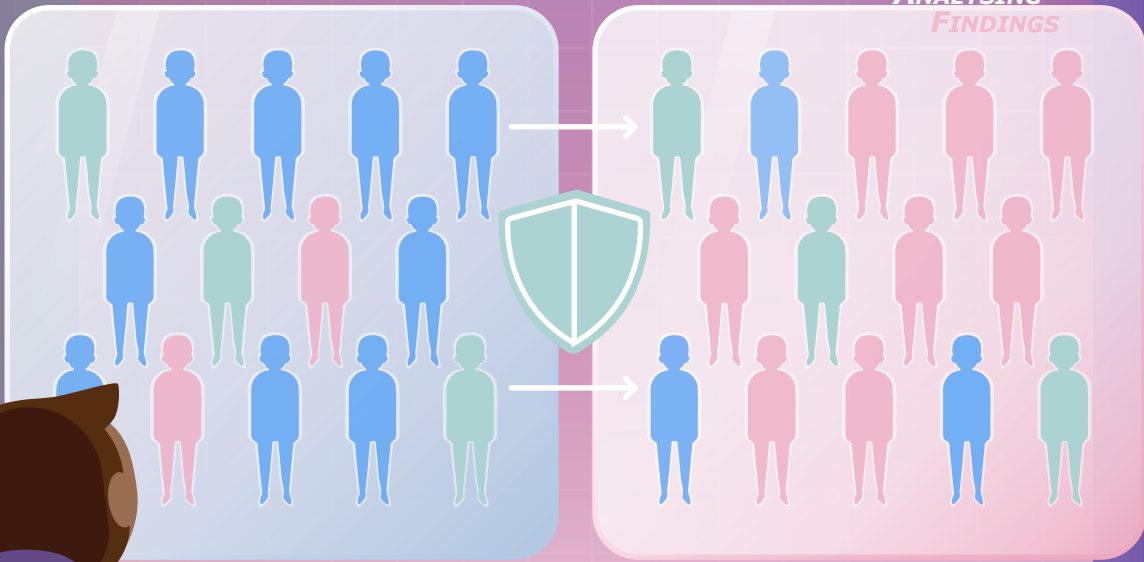
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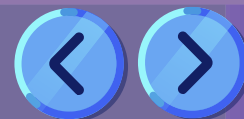
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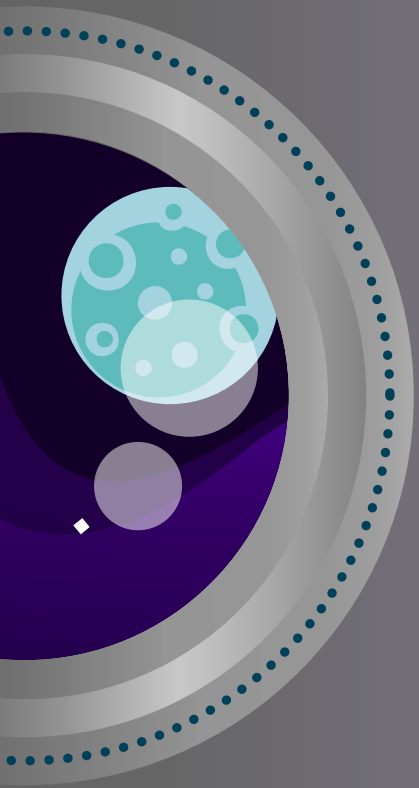


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- If some people are vaccinated, contagious disease can spread through the unvaccinated people.

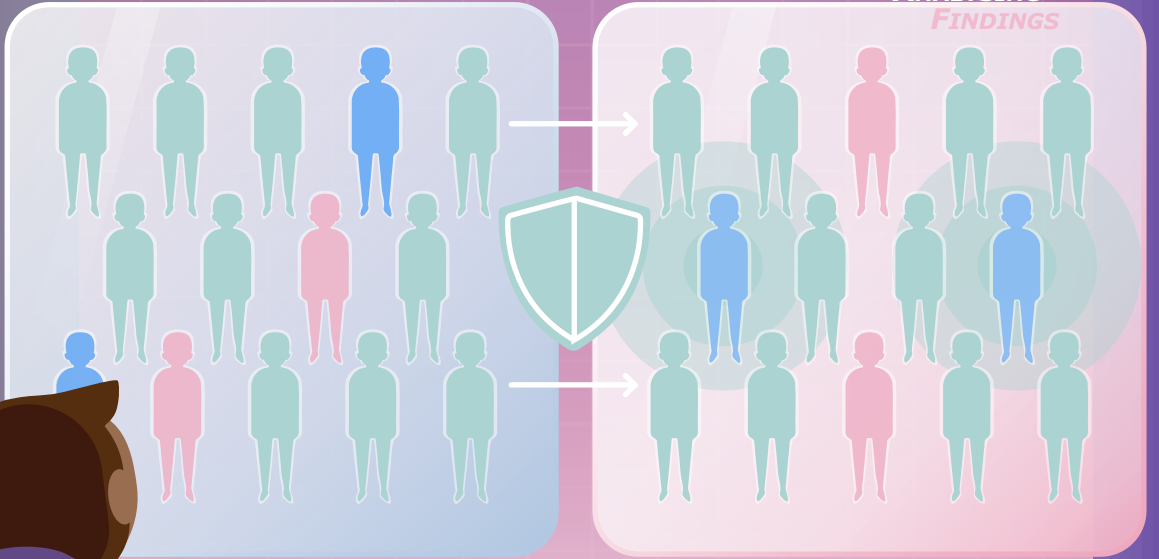
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Vaccination is important to protect others around you.

- If most of the population are vaccinated, **contagious disease cannot spread**. This way, vulnerable people are protected by those around them.

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What are the consequences of not getting vaccinated? Impact on the individual.




Travel restrictions —
Several countries require foreign visitors to be completely vaccinated.

Risk of **decreasing life expectancy.**



Children will be more likely to get **serious illnesses**, making them more likely to get other **health problems.**



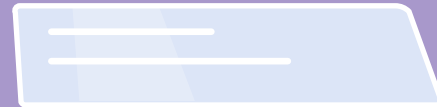
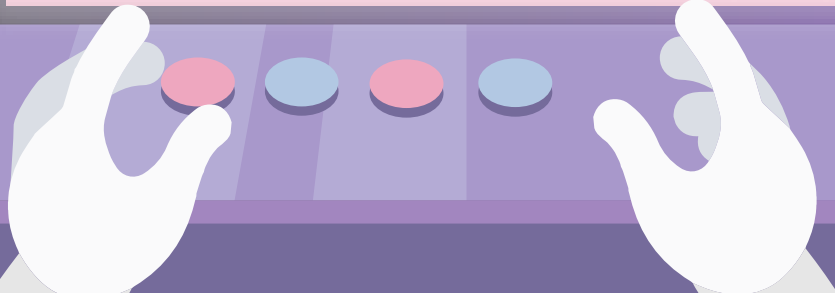
Decrease in quality of life —
Vaccine-preventable disease could lead to lifelong disability, such as paralysis or blindness.

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What are the consequences of not getting vaccinated? Impact on the wider community and healthcare systems.

The NHS has to **bear the cost of treatment** for the disease and any associated complications.

Other family members are also more likely to get seriously ill and **can infect people of all ages who cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons.**

Disease outbreak in the community — Vaccine-preventable diseases can spread in populated areas (schools, hospitals etc).

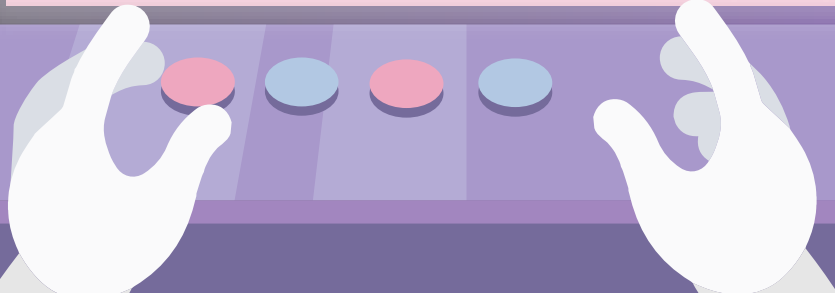


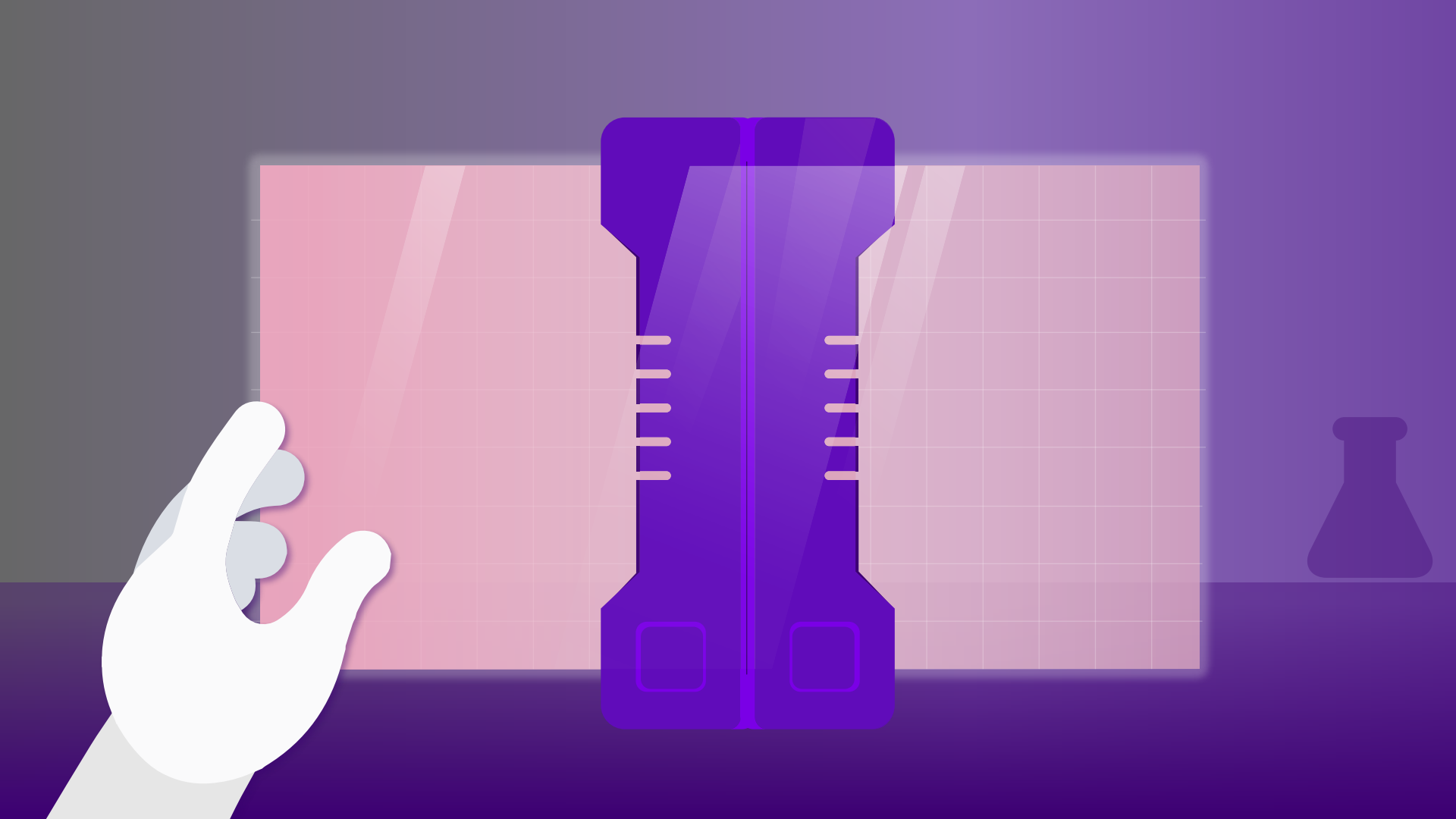
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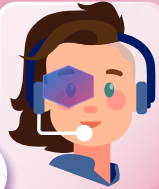
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Vaccination side effects and why they can happen.



Like any medicine, **vaccines may cause side effects**, but receiving a vaccination is still far safer than getting the disease instead.¹

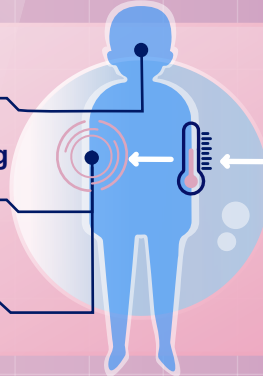
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Soreness/swelling at injection site



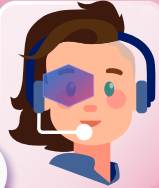
Redness at injection site



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Vaccination side effects and why they can happen.



If you do experience side effects, they are **usually mild** and can be managed with painkillers such as **ibuprofen** or **paracetamol** (remember to check with a parent or caregiver before taking any medication).¹

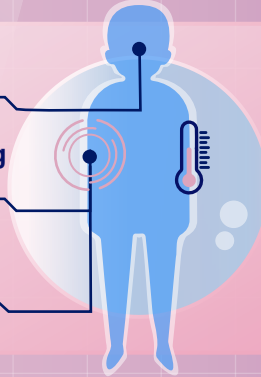
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Vaccination side effects and why they can happen.



It is normal to experience side effects after a vaccine. It shows the vaccine is teaching your body's immune system how to protect itself from the disease.²

Think of it this way: **The body's response to the vaccine is like a training mission for the real fight.**³

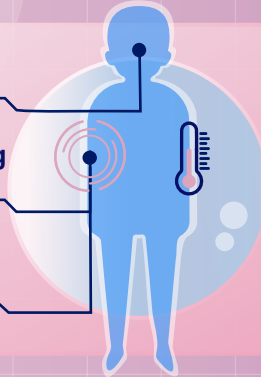
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The protection your upcoming vaccines will provide you with outweighs the potential for side-effects.



Here's an overview of the most common side effects of the HPV and MenACWY vaccines:^{1,2}



Injection site reaction



High temperature



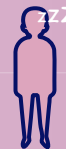
Headache



Aching body



Dizziness



Tiredness (fatigue)



Feeling sick (nausea)

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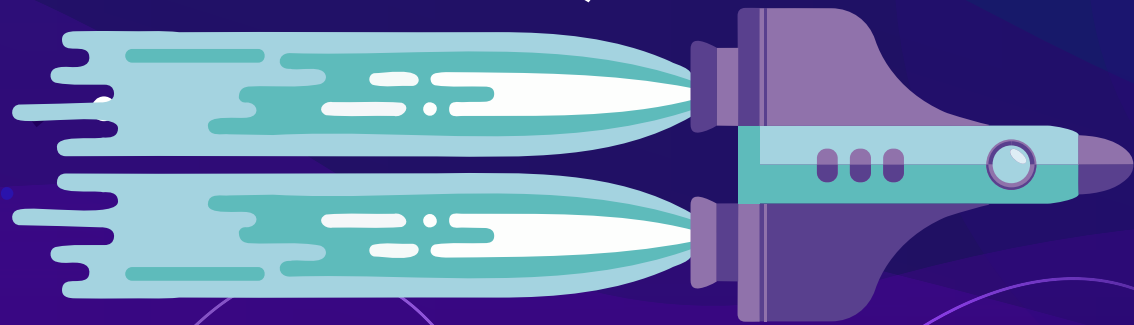
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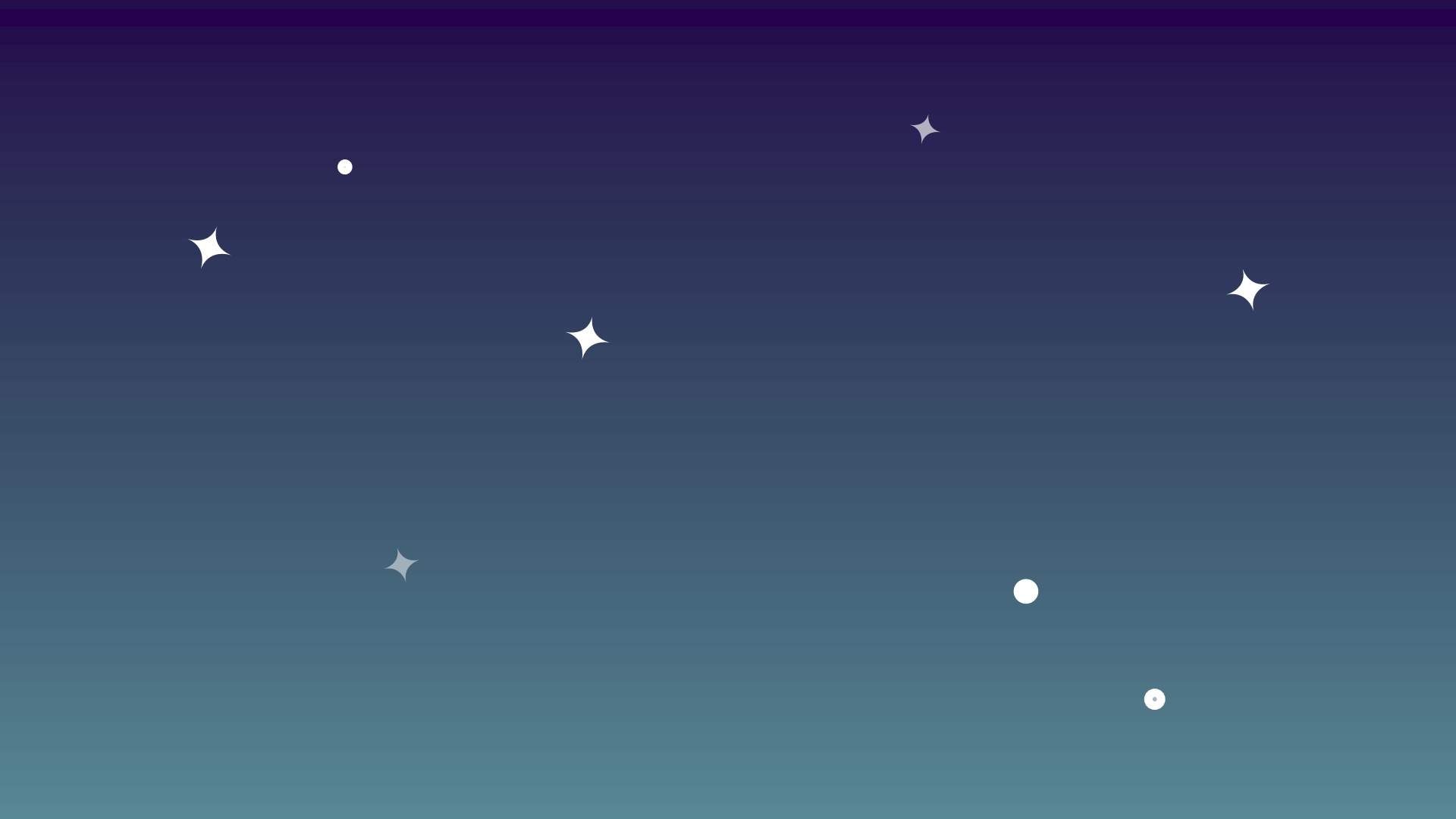
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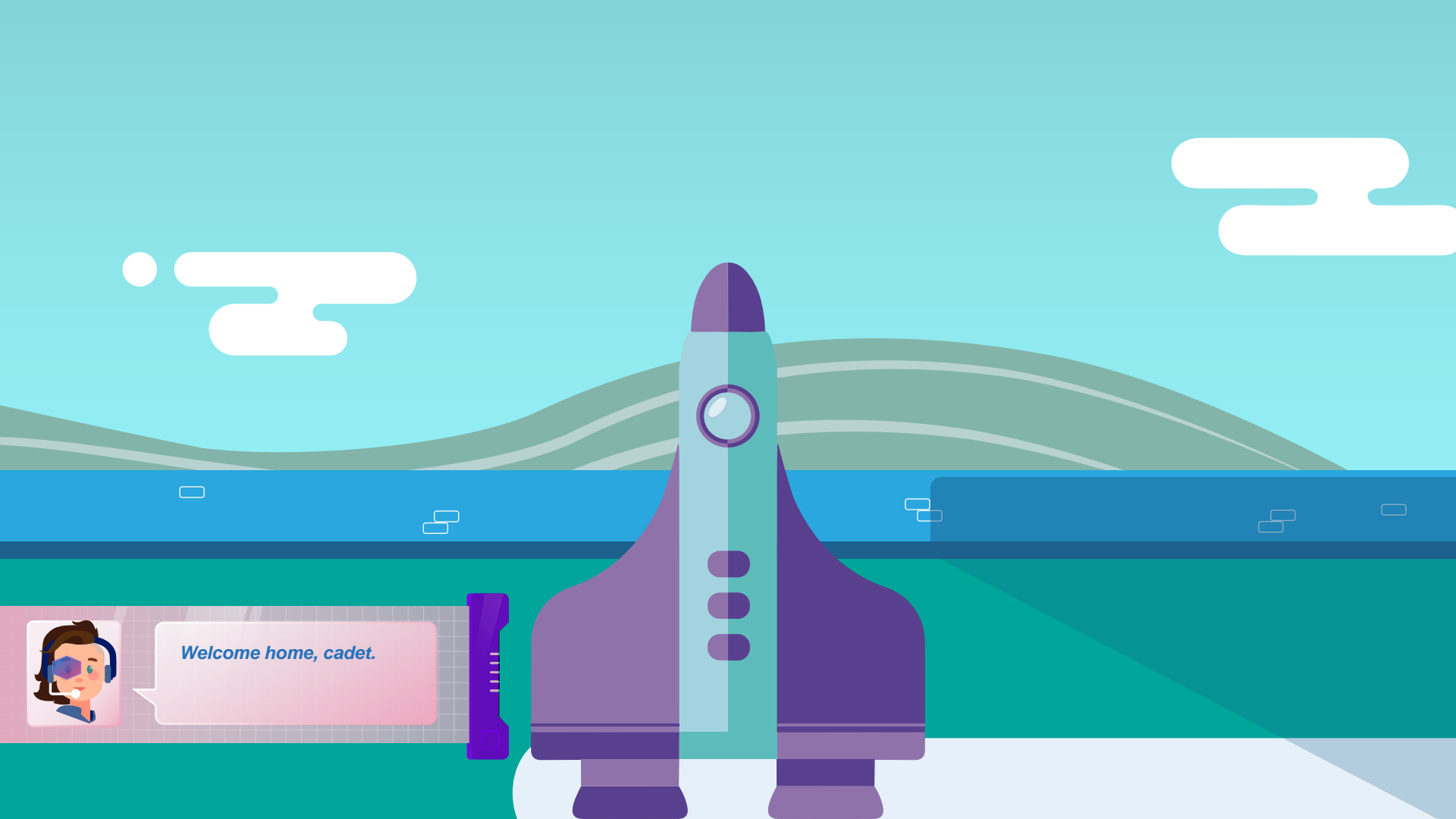
CLICK ON THE PLANET



Well done on a successful mission, cadet! Click on Planet Home to return to Earth.

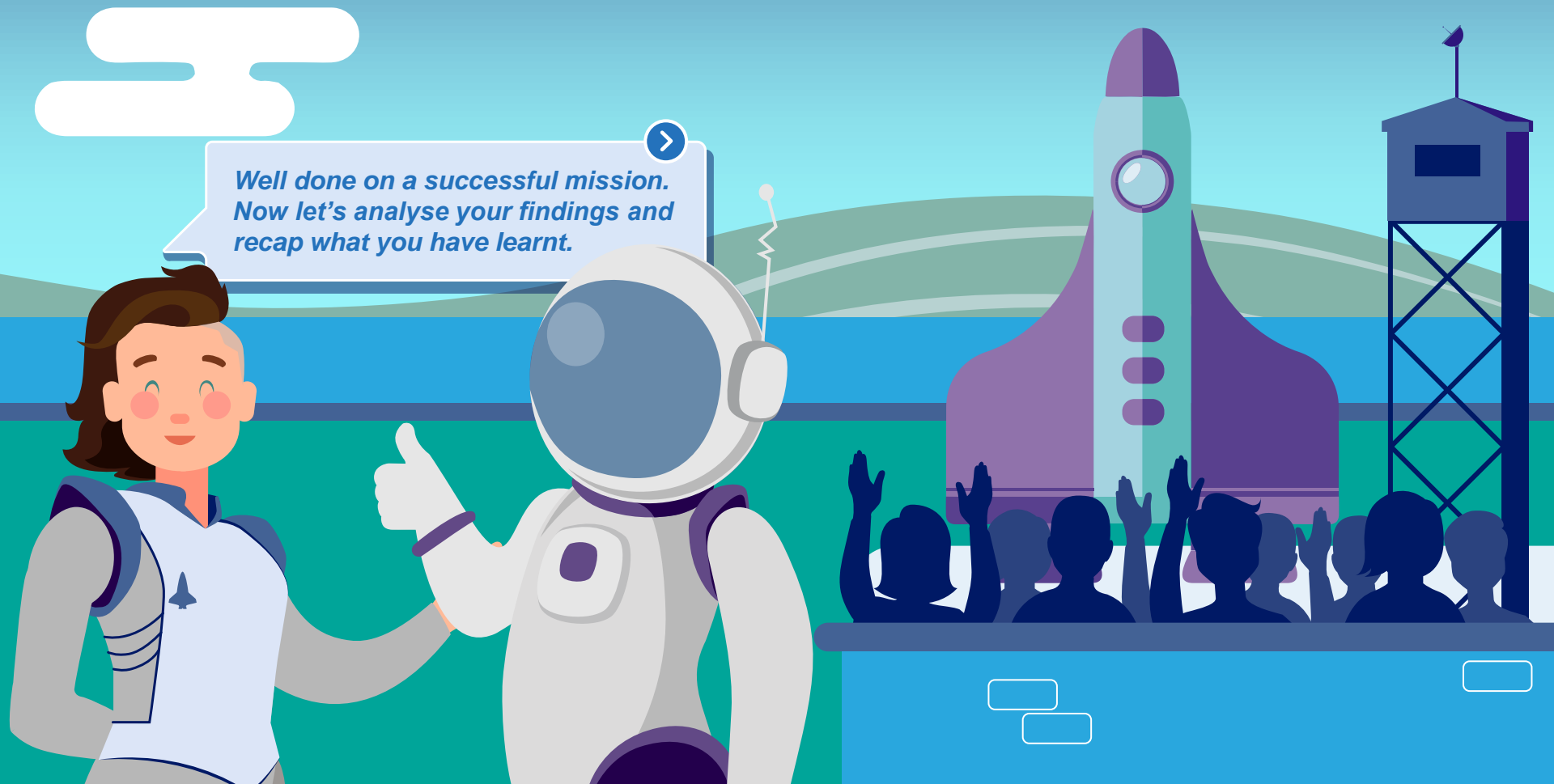






Welcome home, cadet.

Well done on a successful mission.
Now let's analyse your findings
and recap what you have learnt.





Let's explore our findings and learn more about the success of our vaccination programmes.

**MISSION
ACCOMPLISHED**

The UK HPV vaccination programme successfully prevents cervical cancer.



The national HPV vaccination programme was introduced for **girls in September 2008** and was extended to **eligible boys in September 2019**.¹



An article published in *The Lancet* in 2019 clearly showed the UK HPV vaccination programme is **successfully preventing cervical cancers**:



They found cervical cancer rates were **87% lower** in young women who were eligible for HPV vaccination when they were **12–13**, versus similar women **born a few years earlier who were not offered vaccination**.²



They estimated the HPV programme had prevented **~450 cancers and 17,200 pre-cancers up to mid-2019**.²

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2. Falcaro M, et al. *Lancet*. 2021;398(10316):2084–2092.

The introduction of the MenACWY vaccine in 2015 reduced the carriage of bacteria among young people in the community.



Before 2015, teenagers in the UK were only vaccinated against **one type of meningococcal disease, meningitis C.**



In 2015, the MenACWY vaccine was introduced, allowing young people to be vaccinated against **4 of the 5 main groups of meningitis-causing bacteria.**



Introduction of the MenACWY vaccine **successfully reduced the number of teenagers carrying these additional bacteria** (known as carriage), which is essential for preventing the spread of disease.

REMEMBER, meningitis is **extremely deadly** and can result in **fatality within 24 hours**, so preventing the spread of disease among the community is vital to saving lives.

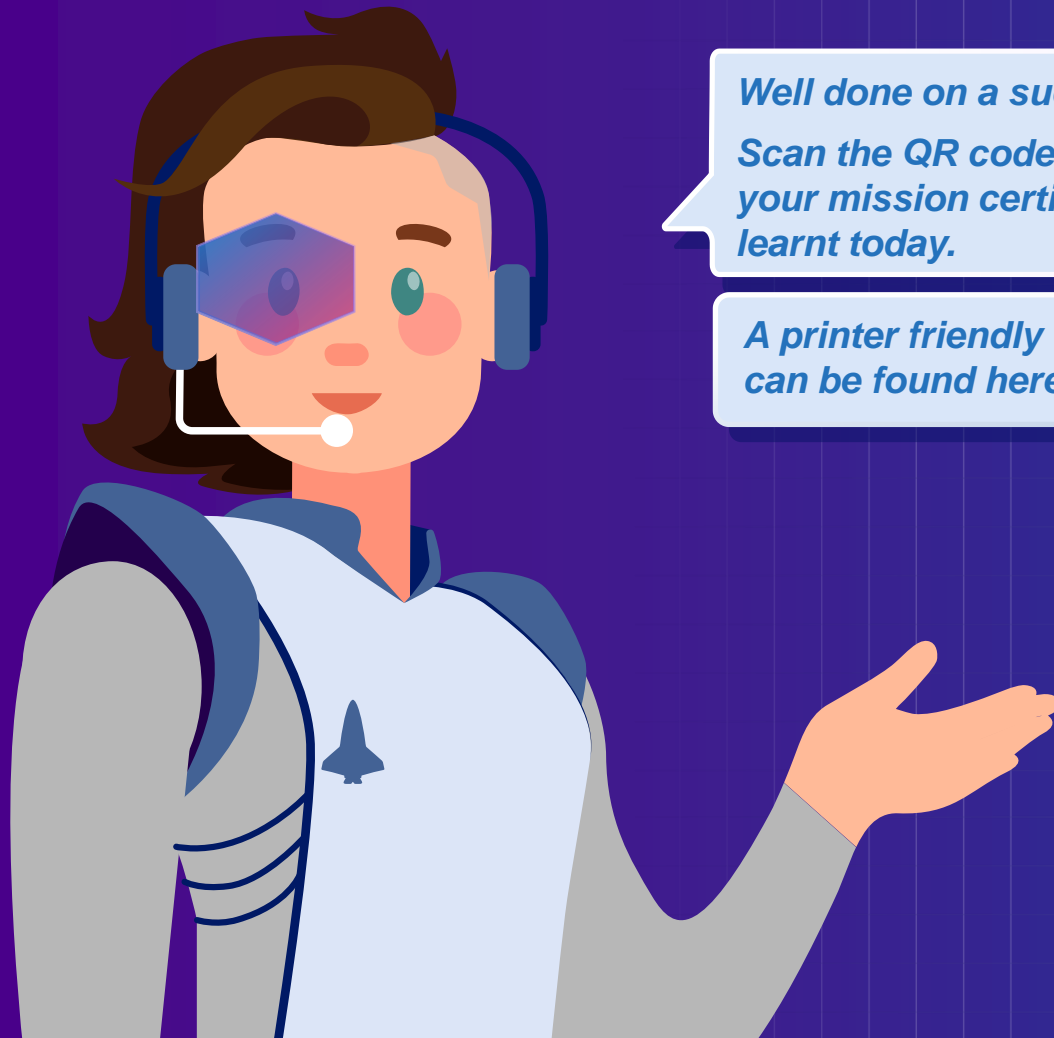
Top tips for your vaccination day!

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

- If possible, **wear short sleeves** as you'll be having your injections in your arm.^{1,2}
- Make sure you have **something to eat and drink before and after** you've had your vaccination.²
- It's OK to be nervous, but make sure to **speak to your healthcare professional about any questions or concerns you have** — they will be able to answer these and help reassure you about your vaccination.¹
- Slowly breathe in through your nose and then out through your mouth. You could also try counting to 5 — the injection is quick and will be over before you know it!²

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