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2025 Timeline: Key Dates

- **Registration:** 9 June – 18 July
- **SHRN School Survey Pack:** 5 September
- **Ipsos Practice Links:** 8 September
- **All survey and dashboard links sent:** 11/12 September
- **Data Collection:** 15 September – 19 December

The SHRN Student Health and Well-being Survey - 2025 Timeline

04 June	Registration Webinar Watch now!	
09 June	Registration Opens Invite sent to schools	
18 July	Registration Closes	
05 September	Survey Pack Sent	
08 September	Practice Link Sent for the Student Survey	
11 to 12 September	All Survey / Dashboard Links Sent	
15 September	Student Survey and SEQ Opens	
19 December	Student Survey and SEQ Closes	

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School Registration Outline

Registration

- **Registration Window:** Opens 9 June and closes 18 July. Schools must register within this period to participate.
- **Survey Invitation:** A registration invite will be sent on 9 June to your school's key contact. If your school has a new Health and Well-being Lead, please email SHRN@cardiff.ac.uk.

Data Sharing and Consent

- **Data Sharing Agreement:** Schools agree to **share non-identifiable aggregate data** (e.g. % weekly smoker) with **Public Health Wales to support school-based** health improvement initiatives, such as the **JustB** prevention programme.
- **Contact Consent:** Consent is required to share the **key contact's name and email address** with your **local WNHWPS coordinator** and **Public Health Wales** to support health-related activities. *(Please note: No learner-identifiable information is shared for this purpose).*

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Key Registration Actions to Complete by 18 July

- **Appoint a Survey Lead:** Identify the lead staff member who will co-ordinate the survey within your school.
- **Choose a Survey Start Date:** Select when your school will begin administering the survey.
- **Schedule a Date for Parent/Carer Letter Distribution-** this must be at least two weeks before learners complete the survey.

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Sexual Behaviour Section Participation

Who is asked:

- **Mandatory:** Years 11, 12, and 13
- **Optional:** Years 9 and 10

2023 Participation Rates:

- **65%** of schools opted in for **Year 9**
- **86%** of schools opted in for **Year 10**

Why it matters:

Data from this section support sexual health intervention planning and contribute to local and national population health monitoring.

Sexual Behaviour Section –Topics Covered:

- Sexual intercourse.
- Contraceptive use at last intercourse.
- Age at first intercourse.

Source: Questions derived from the internationally recognised World Health Organization's Health Behaviour in School-Aged Children (HBSC) survey.

Your school need to make a decision on the visibility of the sexual behaviour section at the registration stage.

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Data Linkage: Changes to the 2025 Survey

- **School-level consent is no longer required.** With over 90% of secondary schools consenting to data linkage in 2023, SHRN has now reached an acceptable threshold of acceptability, allowing this option to be made available to all participating learners.

(Please note: there are no changes to the existing parent/carers and pupil opt-out consent process.)

- **All learners** invited to:
 - Provide personal identifiers.
 - Consent to routine data linkage (e.g., via SAIL).
- **Support:** The SHRN Data Collection Pack for schools, learners, and parents and carers will provide further information. This will be sent to you on **5 September**.

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Data Sharing with the SAIL Databank

- The **SAIL Databank**, based at **Swansea University**, is a secure, restricted-access repository for population data used in research.
- **Cardiff University** shares data under a formal agreement with **Swansea University** (who receives the data), and **Digital Health and Care Wales** (who process the data).
- The data is used **only for research** that benefits the public in the UK, and Cardiff University confirms it is **legally allowed** to share this data under **UK GDPR**.
- A **split file process** is used to protect privacy: personal details and survey responses are kept **completely separate** and are **never stored together** in the same file.

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Final Recap: What Does My School Need To Do Next?

- **Keep an eye out for your school registration link which will be sent to you by SHRN.**
- **Complete the registration link ASAP** *(by July 18th at the latest)*
- **If your school has a new Health and Well-being Lead, please email SHRN@cardiff.ac.uk.**

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We Welcome Your Involvement and Look Forward to Supporting You Throughout the Data Collection Process.

Thank-you.