

ATTN: Medical Health Officers and Branch Offices

Public Health Nursing Administrators and Assistant Administrators

Holders of Communicable Disease Control Manuals

Re: Revisions to Communicable Control Manual, Chapter 2 –

Immunization Program

Section VII - Biological Products:

Pages 31 and 32a:

The wording for the use of Vaxigrip® has been changed for clarity: the
vaccine may be offered to children aged 6 - 23 months, pregnant women in
the third trimester who are expected to deliver during the current influenza
season, high risk pregnant and lactating women, and other eligible
individuals as availability permits. This is consistent with current season
vaccine usage, and with NACI statements for both influenza vaccine and
thimerosal.

Page 32:

Addition of footnote symbol

Pages 35, 37, and 38a:

 Deleted the MSM group as being eligible for meningococcal C conjugate vaccine. The meningococcal C outbreak is over in that group

Pages 38a and 38c:

• Change to footnote to indicate use of product immediately after being drawn up (not reconstituted.)

Page 55:

Change of product name/manufacturer: TIG Tetanus Immune Globulin, 250
 Units per syringe, was supplied by Bayer and was named Baytet™. This
 product is now manufactured by Talecris Biotherapeutics and has been
 renamed as Hypertet™.

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Page 56:

Addition of descriptive information for wounds.

Please remove and destroy the following pages from the Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 2 – Immunization Program: Section VII – Biological Products

TOC
Pages 31, 32, 32a, 35, 37, and 38a
Page 38c
Page 55
Page 56
Dated January 2006
Dated January 2006
Dated June 2005
Dated November 2002

Please insert the following replacement pages in the Communicable Disease Control manual, Chapter 2 – Immunization Program:

TOC Dated October 2006

Pages 31, 32, 32a, 35, 37, 38a,

38c, 55 and 56 Dated October 2006

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