



BC Centre for Disease Control
An agency of the Provincial Health Services Authority

Administrative Circular 2013:09

Date: May 10, 2013

ATTN: Medical Health Officers and Branch Offices
Public Health Nursing Administrators and Assistant Administrators
Holders of Communicable Disease Control Manuals

**Re: Revisions to Communicable Disease Control Manual:
Chapter 2 – Immunization Program, Section VII, Pages 3a and 3b, Tdap-IPV**

Tdap-IPV is no longer in use in BC for the school entry booster dose of against diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis and polio, as DPT-IPV (as QuadraceI®) is back in use following a shortage from early 2012 through early 2013.

Health authorities have requested that BCCDC maintain a small stock of this combination product for use in individuals eligible to receive Tdap and IPV at the same visit. These include primarily children and adolescents aged 7 through 17 years old who missed receiving the school entry booster dose, and previously unimmunized children, adolescents and adults who require one or more doses of a primary series using the schedule recommended by age.

We have not added an HSCT indication because we anticipate issuing updated guidelines shortly which allow for use of combination DPT products in such recipients.

The page has been reformatted as we outlined in the last Administrative Circular.

Updates to the ADVERSE EVENTS section have been made to reflect the content of the December 2012 release of the Canadian Immunization Guide, Part 4, Active Vaccines.

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

Page 3a Dated April 2012

Page 3b Dated March 2013

Please insert the following in the Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 2 - Immunization Program, Section VII

Pages 3a Dated May 2013

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Sincerely,



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