



**October 26, 2004**

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

**Re: Immunization Program Revisions**

Please note the following revisions to the influenza vaccine pages of the Communicable Disease Control Manual Chapter II – Immunization Program:

**Page 31 Influenza Vaccine (Inactivated Split-Virion):**

- Vaxigrip® is the influenza vaccine to be offered to children aged 6 to 23 months
- New proviso in bullet #3 under “**People capable of transmitting influenza to those at elevated risk for complications of disease:**” Household contacts of children aged 0 to 23 months are eligible for influenza vaccine **when** these children either cannot be vaccinated or may respond inadequately to vaccination.

**Page 32a Influenza Vaccine (Inactivated Split-Virion) (Vaxigrip®):**

- This is a new page outlining the use of Vaxigrip for children aged 6 to 23 months



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**Please delete and destroy the following pages from Communicable Disease Control Manual Chapter II – Immunization Program:**

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**Insert the following pages in the Communicable Disease Control Manual Chapter II – Immunization Program:**

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