December 16, 2004

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 II – Immunization Program

Varicella vaccine is provided to susceptible infants born on or after January 1, 2004, at 12 months of age, beginning January 1, 2005, as part of the routine immunization program.

Section II – Immunization Schedules, and Section VII – Biological Products, have been changed to reflect the addition of varicella vaccine to the infant immunization program.

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

Section II, pages 2 and 4               Dated September 2004
Section VII, pages 63 and 65             Dated September 2004

Insert the following replacement pages:

Section II, pages 2 and 4               Dated December 2004
Section VII, pages 63 and 65             Dated December 2004

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