Date: October 12, 2011

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

Re: Influenza Vaccine for the 2011-2012 Season

Please note the following change to the Communicable Disease Control manual, Chapter 2- Immunization Program, Section VII, Biological Products”:

Page 31b, “3. Febrile seizures following concomitant receipt of TiV and PCV13”:

- New information added that excess risk of febrile seizures has not been observed in the BC AEFI data reported by regional health authorities nor in the national Canadian Adverse Events Following Immunization Surveillance System (CAEFISS).

Administrative Circular 2011:15
Please remove and destroy the following page from the Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 2 – Immunization Program, Section VII, Biological Products:

Page 31b  Dated September 2011

Please insert the following pages in the Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 2 – Immunization Program, Section VII, Biological Products:

Pages 31b & 31c  Dated October 2011

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