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**ATTN:** Medical Health Officers and Branch Offices  
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Holders of Communicable Disease Control Manuals

**Re: Update to Communicable Disease Control Manual,  
Chapter 2 - Immunization Program,  
Section VI – Management of Biologicals**

### **Section VI – Management of Biologicals**

Select pages of Section VI – MANAGEMENT OF BIOLOGICALS updated to indicate that an exposure of Tubersol® to temperatures in the 0°C to +2°C range constitutes a cold chain incident and needs to be reported using the Cold Chain Incident Form. Recommendations for other biological products remain unchanged with temperatures of 0°C to +2°C being considered “refrigeration conditions”.

**Please remove pages: 1 & 17-19 dated September 2013  
Please add new pages: 1 & 17-19 dated October 2015**

**Please also remove the Table of Contents for Section VI – Management of Biologicals dated September 2013 and replace with the enclosed updated Table of Contents dated October 2015.**

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Sincerely,



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