Date: October 12, 2016

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

Re: Update to Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 2 - Immunization Program, Section VII-Biological Products

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Human Papillomavirus Vaccine [Quadrivalent and Nonavalent]
GARDASIL®/GARDASIL®9

Footnotes revised:

- Addition of content indicating that in the event the provider no longer has GARDASIL® available, GARDASIL®9 may be used in place of GARDASIL® to initiate or complete an HPV vaccine series.
- Removal of footnotes that reiterated the indications for GARDASIL®9.

As the HPV immunization program is transitioning from the use of GARDASIL® to GARDASIL®9, every effort should be made within the health authorities including every immunization service provider’s office with inventory of GARDASIL® to use up all remaining doses of this product prior to receipt and use of GARDASIL®9 for indications outside of the grade 6 program and eligible HIV positive females.

Please remove page numbers: 24a dated August 2016
Please add new page numbers: 24a dated October 2016

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Christine Halpert, Senior Practice Leader, BCCDC at telephone (604) 707-2555, fax (604) 707-2515 or by email at christine.halpert@bccdc.ca.
Sincerely,

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