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Date: September 12, 2017

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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, Part 4 – Biological Products**

Part 4-Biological Products

Influenza Vaccines

• **Intended Use of Influenza Vaccines**

- FLUZONE® QUADRIVALENT has been added to the list of influenza vaccines that are publicly-funded for the 2017/18 season. This vaccine has also been added to the table indicating its intended use for eligible children 6 months to 17 years of age (inclusive), and for those 18 years of age and older in the event of a surplus of FLUZONE® QUADRIVALENT in the provider's inventory beyond that required for those under 18 years old.
- The FLUZONE® High-Dose Question and Answer document for health care providers has been updated to reflect Manitoba's decision to offer FLUZONE® High-Dose to residents of long term care facilities 65 years of age and older.

Please remove page number: 1 dated August 2017
Please add new page number: 1 dated September 2017

• **Quadrivalent Inactivated Influenza Vaccine (FLUZONE® QUADRIVALENT)**

- The product page for FLUZONE® QUADRIVALENT has been added as this product will be in use as a publicly-funded influenza vaccine for the 2017/18 season.

Please add new page numbers: 1 & 2 dated September 2017

Please also remove the Table of Contents for Part 4-Biological Products dated August 2017 and replace with the enclosed updated Table of Contents dated September 2017.

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Sincerely,



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