

Administrative Circular 2012:22

Date: November 21, 2012

ATTN: RSV Clinic Nurses and Pharmacists

Medical Health Officers and Branch Offices

Public Health Nursing Administrators and Assistant Administrators

Holders of Communicable Disease Control Manuals

Re: Interim New Addition to the Communicable Disease Control Manual

Chapter II, Immunization Program

Section VII Biological Products – Addition of Palivizumab

A guideline for use of Palivizumab is being included in Chapter II of the CD Manual to support the use of this product by RSV Clinic Nurses and Pharmacists working in 14 specified clinics around the province by request of BC Children's Hospital. Detailed guidelines are available at the links shown on the corresponding pages through Child Health BC, but the Immunization Manual pages serve as a decision support tool under College of Registered Nurses of BC requirements.

If you have any questions or concerns about this program and/or product please contact: Marianne Tofan, at telephone (604) 875-2865 or by email at marianne.tofan@cw.bc.ca

Public Health: If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Andrea Derban, Clinical Nurse Specialist, at telephone (604) 707-2542, fax (604) 707-2515 or by email at andrea.derban@bccdc.ca

Sincerely,

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