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Date: September 8, 2014 Administrative Circular: 2014:14

**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.

## **Section VII- Biological Products**

Meningococcal C conjugate vaccine, meningococcal B vaccine, meningococcal guadrivalent conjugate vaccine (groups A, C, Y, W-135), meningococcal guadrivalent polysaccharide vaccine (groups A, C, Y, W-135)

All meningococcal vaccine pages updated based on recent NACI statement and product monograph revisions.

Meningococcal B vaccine page updated to address overlap in the age indications.

Please remove page numbers 36d-43 dated between January 2009- June 2014.

Please replace with page numbers 37-43 dated September 2014.

## <u>2014/2015 Seasonal Trivalent Inactivated Influenza Vaccine (TIIV) and Live Attenuated Influenza (LAIV)</u>

The three strains included in this year's flu vaccine are the same as those included in last year's flu vaccine. We have therefore deleted the sentence that stated that the A/Texas/50/2012 strain is new. There is no impact to any of the individual influenza vaccine pages.

Please remove page number 31 dated July 2014. Please replace with page number 31 dated September 2014.

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## DTaP-IPV/Hib

Indications for use of Pediacel® have been broadened to include the 18 month booster dose, when Infanrix-IPV/Hib is not available from BCCDC. Circumstances under which these vaccine products may be interchanged are clarified.

Please remove page numbers 2a and 2b dated April 2014. Please replace with page numbers 2a and 2b dated September 2014.

## **MMR**

Page revised to reflect new definitions of immunity to Measles, Mumps and Rubella found in Measles, Mumps and Rubella Communicable Disease Guidelines dated June 2014.

Please remove page numbers 35a-35d dated November 2013. Please replace with page numbers 35a-35d dated September 2014.

Please also remove the Table of Contents for Section VII – Biologicals Products dated July 2014 and replace with the enclosed updated Table of Contents section dated September 2014.

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

Sincerely,

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