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Date: April 9, 2020 Administrative Circular: 2020:06

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, Introduction

Introduction

Continuity of immunization services during COVID-19

A <u>new section</u> has been added to the immunization manual providing guidance to immunization providers on the prioritization of infant, childhood and adult immunization programs during the COVID-19 pandemic. This section also includes content on precautions which may be taken to minimize transmission of COVID-19 in clinical settings for immunization services. The section can also be accessed from the BCCDC website on the <u>Public Health Management page</u> for COVID-19 Care under "Related Links".

Please add new page numbers: 1-3 dated April 9, 2020





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Sincerely,

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