

September 25, 2006

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

Re: Revisions to Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 2 – Immunization Program

The guideline for the administration of IM injections to children \geq 12 months of age has been changed: the deltoid may be used as a site for IM injections in this age group, providing there is adequate muscle mass.

Please remove and destroy the following pages from the CommunicableDisease Control Manual, Chapter 2 – Immunization Program:Section IV – Vaccine Administration
Page 6Page 6Dated November 2002Section VII – Biological Products:
Page 28
Page 47
Pages 49 & 50c
Page 50aDated August 2004
Dated June 2005
Dated June 2006
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Please insert the following replacement pages in the Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 2 – Immunization Program: Section IV – Vaccine Administration

Page 6 Section VII – Biological Products:

Pages 28, 47, 49, 50a, & 50c

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