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Date: September 6, 2019 Administrative Circular: 2019:11

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

2019/20 Seasonal Influenza Vaccines

- Influenza pages for the 2019/20 season have been revised. Eligibility criteria for publicly funded influenza vaccine are unchanged from last year.
- Revisions to the influenza pages include:
 - The vaccine strains contained in the 2019/20 influenza vaccines.
 - The "Intended Use of Influenza Vaccines" table has been revised to include the four vaccines included in the 2019/20 publicly funded program:
 - FLULAVAL® TETRA and FLUZONE® QUADRIVALENT are intended for use in those 6 months – 17 years of age
 - FLUVIRAL® and AGRIFLU® are intended for those 18 years of age and older
 - A link to the updated Question & Answer Document related to FLUZONE® High-Dose is also included.

Please remove the following pages:

- 2018/19 Seasonal Influenza Vaccine Eligibility: page 1 dated August 2018
- Safety Issues Applicable to Influenza Vaccines: page 1 dated August 2018
- Intended Use of Influenza Vaccines: page 1 dated August 27, 2018
- FLUMIST® QUADRIVALENT: pages 1-3 dated August 2018
- FLUZONE® QUADRIVALENT: pages 1 & 2 dated August 2018
- FLUVIRAL®: pages 1 & 2 dated August 2018
- INFLUVAC®: pages 1 & 2 dated August 2018





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Please add the following pages:

- 2019/20 Seasonal Influenza Vaccine Eligibility: page 1 dated September 2019
- Safety Issues Applicable to Influenza Vaccines: page 1 dated September 2019
- Intended Use of Influenza Vaccines: page 1 dated September 2019
- FLULAVAL® TETRA: pages 1 & 2 dated September 2019
- FLUZONE® QUADRIVALENT: pages 1 & 2 dated September 2019
- FLUVIRAL®: pages 1 & 2 dated September 2019
- AGRIFLU®: pages 1 & 2 dated September 2019

Please also remove the Table of Contents for Part 4 – Biological Products dated July 2019, and replace with the enclosed updated Table of Contents dated September 2019.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Christine Halpert, Senior Practice Leader, BCCDC (telephone: 604-707-2555 / email: christine.halpert@bccdc.ca) or Stephanie Meier, Public Health Resource Nurse, BCCDC (telephone: 604-707-2577 / email: stephanie.meier@bccdc.ca).

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