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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 II – Immunization Program**

Varicella vaccine is provided to susceptible infants born on or after January 1, 2004, at 12 months of age, beginning January 1, 2005, as part of the routine immunization program.

Section II – Immunization Schedules, and Section VII – Biological Products, have been changed to reflect the addition of varicella vaccine to the infant immunization program.

Please delete and destroy the following from the Communicable Disease Control Manual: Chapter II – Immunization Program:

Section II, pages 2 and 4
Section VII, pages 63 and 65

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Insert the following replacement pages:

Section II, pages 2 and 4
Section VII, pages 63 and 65

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