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MEMORANDUM

TO: Universal Childhood Vaccine Distribution Program (UCVDP) Participants

FROM: Beth Rowe-West, R.N., B.S.N., Head
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SUBJECT: Reminders Regarding Flu Season

The purpose of this memo is to remind providers that influenza season is still with us. Providers should look for opportunities to administer flu vaccine through March and April. Although flu is active in NC, the peak of the season has not yet occurred. It is not too late to vaccinate, and state-supplied flu vaccine products are still available for anyone who desires to be immunized against influenza.

The UCVDP program still has the following flu vaccine formulations available: Fluzone® in multi-dose vials and single-dose vials and Fluvirin® in multi-dose vials. **Remember, for the remainder of the 2008-2009 flu season, state-supplied flu vaccine is available to anyone for whom it is indicated, regardless of age or insurance status.**

Please take this opportunity to review your supply of flu vaccine, and order your vaccine by contacting the Help Desk at 1-877-873-6247. Providers using the North Carolina Immunization Registry (NCIR) may order on-line. As is always the case, for those providers using the NCIR, vaccines must be accounted for on-line. For those not yet using the NCIR, vaccines must be accounted for by use of the Vaccines Administered Log (VAL).

Thank you for your continued contributions to keeping North Carolina healthy!

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