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Dear Colleague:

New York State Public Health Law 2168 regulations required electronic reporting of immunizations as of January 1, 2008. As we have informed you in previous communications, New York City (NYC) providers will be required to report immunizations electronically to the Citywide Immunization Registry (CIR) as of January 1, 2009. Reporting to the CIR is required to continue receiving vaccine shipments for your patients who are eligible for the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program and Child Health Plus B.

After Monday, November 17th, 2008, CIR paper reporting forms will no longer be available. Providers will no longer be able to order paper reporting forms after this date, and printing of the forms will cease.

If you are still reporting on paper, we urge you to call the CIR at 212-676-2323 as soon as possible. CIR staff will assist you with switching to Online Registry reporting or reporting through electronic batch file transfer from your billing, encounter, or clinical information system.

We thank you for your continuing efforts to vaccinate New York City children.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jane R. Zucker".

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