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To: Healthcare professionals who administer immunizations

From: Pejman Talebian, MA, MPH, Director, Immunization Program

Date: March 19, 2015

RE: Compliance with 105 CMR 222.000, Massachusetts Immunization Information System

The regulations governing the Massachusetts Immunization Information System (MIIS), 105 CMR 222.000, have been promulgated by the Massachusetts Public Health Council and were effective as of January 2, 2015. The complete regulatory language can be found at http://www.mass.gov/courts/docs/lawlib/104-105cmr/105cmr/222.pdf.

The MIIS has been established to ensure the appropriate delivery of immunization services to all individuals receiving immunizations in the Commonwealth. All health care professionals who administer immunizations, and pharmacists authorized by 105 CMR 700.004(B)(6) to dispense vaccine by administration, must report their vaccine administration data to the MIIS. To date, over 600 vaccine administration sites (including individual health care provider practices, provider groups, pharmacies, hospitals, and local health departments) are reporting data to the MIIS and over 2.3 million patient records and over 14.3 million administered vaccine doses have been reported to the system.

The Immunization Program's goal is to have all mandated users enrolled and using the system according to the following schedule:

9/1/2015 Providers who do not use electronic health record systems and will enter data

directly into the web interface.

12/1/2015 Providers who administer more than 1,000 doses of vaccine per year that use

electronic health record technology and will report immunization information

through electronic data exchange.

6/1/2016 Providers who administer fewer than 1,000 doses of vaccine per year that use

electronic health record technology and will report immunizations through

electronic data exchange.

The MIIS Team has provided and will continue to provide support and technical assistance to providers to ensure enrollment and utilization of the system. There are many tools available on the ContactMIIS Resource Center - www.contactmiis.info - to assist with registration and training, as well as guidance and protocols related to informing patients and implementing data exchange with electronic health record systems. For additional assistance, please contact the MIIS Help Desk at 617-983-4335 or email miishelpdesk@state.ma.us to reach an MIIS User Support Associate.