To: Maine Immunization Providers

From: Maine Immunization Program

Subject: Pentacel Shortage

Date: October 3, 2012

As you are aware the 2012 Pentacel shortage is expected to last until March 2013. Enclosed is a guide for your reference when substituting vaccines entitled, “Guidance for Vaccinating Children during the 2012 Pentacel and Daptacel Shortage”.

It is also located on our website at:

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/immunization/providers/communications/2012/index.shtml>

If you have any questions, please contact the Maine Immunization Program Health Educators at:

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Sincerely,



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