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SUBJECT: Pentacel® Supply Limited and Changes to the Guidance for Children during the Pentacel Manufacturer's Delay.

Dear Texas Vaccines for Children Program Provider,

Please reference the updated document titled "Guidance for Children during the Pentacel Manufacturer's Delay" available at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vac-gen/shortages/default.htm> for further information regarding Pentacel guidance.

The previously sent letter recommended doses of Pentacel vaccine to be administered at one, two and four months of age; however, an updated version provides clarification of administration ages to the following: two, four and six months of age. Additionally, the Hepatitis B vaccine row has been updated to reflect the recommended schedule with doses at birth, one to two months, and six to 18 months of age.

NOTE: This letter does not serve as an update of guidance. A transcription error occurred between the initial word document, and the pdf document.

If you would like additional information on vaccine options by age, utilize the following hyperlink: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/child-adolescent.html>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R. Velazquez for Monica Gamez".

Monica Gamez, Director
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