Memorandum

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SUBJECT: Texas Vaccines for Children Program: End of Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine (Hib) Allocation - Survey Request

On March 25, 2010, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announced that the nationwide supplies of Hib-containing products have improved, and they will no longer allocate these products to the states. The Texas Vaccines for Children (TVFC) program is preparing to transition providers from Hib allocations to Hib-containing product preference, and the establishment of Maximum Stock Levels (MSL).

In order to achieve this transition, all TVFC providers are asked to go online and identify their preferences of Hib-related products including Pediarix®, Pentacel®, and single antigen vaccines. The information from this survey will be the basis for the creation of provider MSLs. Providers are asked to make their choices as quickly as possible – preferably by April 21, 2010. However, the survey will remain online at least through the end of April. The survey is located at: http://tvfc Hib.questionpro.com/

Providers will be asked to enter the following information:

1. TVFC Pin (6-digit number including the leading zero where applicable)  
2. Contact Person  
3. Name of Facility  
4. Address  
5. Phone  
6. Email address  
7. Vaccine Choices

If you do not have access to the internet, or have questions regarding this survey, please contact your local health department or health service region for assistance.