TO: All Users of State Supplied Vaccines

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SUBJECT: Rotavirus Vaccine Expansion Program

The primary purpose of this communication is to remind you that as of August 1, 2010, rotavirus vaccine will only be available to VFC-eligible children.

**Rotavirus Vaccine Funding**

In September 2009 the Immunization Program began making Rotavirus vaccine available for all patients, including those with private insurance, with stimulus funding provided by the federal government. Those funds will be expended by the end of July. **Beginning August 1, 2010 the Immunization Program will go back to providing rotavirus vaccine for VFC-eligible patients only.** As a reminder VFC eligibility is defined as follows:

- Medicaid enrolled
- No health insurance
- American Indian or Alaskan Native

In addition, those individuals who are under-insured (have health insurance that does not fully cover the cost of immunizations) can be referred to a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) to be immunized with VFC-supplied vaccine.

As always if you have any questions, please contact the Immunization Program at (860) 509-7929.