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Dear Health Care Provider,

This letter is to inform you of an update to the pediatric component of Ontario's publicly funded pneumococcal vaccine program. This updated eligibility can be implemented immediately given supply and current use of Pneu-C-20 as part of the Ontario immunization program.

Children who are 17 years of age and younger with certain medical and non-medical conditions that increase their risk for invasive pneumococcal disease (IPD), and who have previously completed their immunization schedule with pneumococcal 13-valent conjugate (Pneu-C-13) vaccine, will be eligible for one dose of pneumococcal 20-valent conjugate (Pneu-C-20) vaccine. Please note, that eligibility for the adult pneumococcal program remains the same.

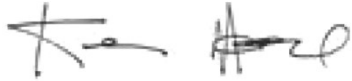
Please refer to the following attachments for additional information:

- Health Care Provider Fact Sheet: Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccines for Children Aged 6 Weeks to 17 Years
- Health Care Provider Fact Sheet: Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine for Adults Aged 18 Years and Older
- Vaccine Fact Sheet: Pneumococcal Vaccine Program for Individuals Aged 6 Weeks and Older

Should you or your staff have any questions, please contact your local public health unit.

We thank you for your continued support and dedication to the publicly funded immunization program, protecting Ontarians against vaccine preventable diseases.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Moore', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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