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**TO:** Health Officers and Local Boards of Health  
County and District Superintendents of Schools  
Parochial and Private School Administrators  
Administrators of Preschool Facilities  
Principals  
School Nurses

**FROM:** Christina Tan, MD, MPH  
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**SUBJECT:** Annual Immunization Status Report (IMM-7)  
Influenza Immunization Survey  
Varicella (chickenpox) Reporting Survey

The Annual Immunization Status Report (IMM-7) is designed to assess the immunization status in New Jersey schools. The deadline for the submission of the IMM-7 for the 2009-2010 school year is March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010. All schools are responsible for ensuring that pupils at all grade levels are in compliance with the New Jersey Immunization Regulations N.J.A.C. 8:5.7 - 4.1 to 8:57 - 4.24, which is on-line at [http://nj.gov/health/cd/documents/njac857\\_4.pdf](http://nj.gov/health/cd/documents/njac857_4.pdf)

All preschools through high schools need to complete the IMM-7 report in its entirety. The report can be accessed and submitted on-line at <http://nj.gov/health/cd/imm7/annualstatusrpt.shtml> In addition, print two copies of the submitted IMM-7 report. One hard copy needs to be mailed to your local health department, while the other can be retained in your files.

The 2009-2010 school year IMM-7 is accompanied by two brief surveys on influenza immunization and varicella (chickenpox) reporting. These surveys are important tools for the evaluation of the Vaccine Preventable Disease Program's (VPDP) policies and regulations. Although both surveys are voluntary, we strongly recommend and encourage you to complete them. The influenza and the varicella reporting survey are included with the IMM-7 on-line and can be accessed at <http://nj.gov/health/cd/imm7/annualstatusrpt.shtml>

The enclosed instructions and Special Notice contain the steps and required information for filling out and submitting the IMM-7 report. It is important that you read them. The instructions and an immunization table are also accessible on-line at <http://nj.gov/health/cd/vpdphome.htm> under the subheading Annual Immunization Status Report.

Please continue to inform the VPDP of any changes in your school or child care center name, address, or if you believe you are not responsible for filling out this report.

Should you require further assistance, please contact the VPDP at (609) 826-4860.

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