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# Immunization Update

**For Pediatricians with suggestions for Primary Care Providers.**

The practice of immunization is difficult given the rapid advances in science and the pace at which new products come on the market. This is further complicated by the delay of new products being placed on the provincial schedule. There are many international and national expert opinions on how immunizations should be given (see NACI (<http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/naci-ccni/>), CPS (<http://www.cps.ca>), AAP (<http://www.aap.org>), BCCDC (<http://www.bccdc.org/content.php?item=193>) but the BCPS feels we can help with the practical application of this information.

**The children of BC should have available to them  
the best in immunization practice.**

To this end, please find attached fact sheet and provincial schedule, along with some of our suggestions on how to use products currently on the market, but not yet on the provincial schedule (<http://www.bcpeds.ca>).

Every opportunity should be taken to ensure Children and their Parents have up to date information on immunizations:

1. Primary care providers briefly discuss immunizations at all pertinent visits.
2. Information on vaccines currently not part of the provincial schedule should be provided in the form of discussion and/or written information.
3. Consultants discuss immunizations as part of office or hospital consultations.

Sincerely,

Dr. Bill Abelson, President  
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