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To: All Pharmacist and Pharmacies providing H1N1 Vaccines

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Subject: Expiration of the Variance to Wisconsin Statute 450.035 (2)

First of all, thank you for participating in the H1N1 influenza vaccination campaign. Your assistance has been invaluable during this public health emergency.

To increase access to H1N1 vaccine to the people of Wisconsin, the Department of Health Services requested and received a variance to Wisconsin Statute 450.035 (2) to allow pharmacists trained in vaccination to vaccinate children as young as 10 years of age.

As the possibility of a third wave becomes less likely and the desire for H1N1 vaccine wanes the Division of Public Health has decided not to request an extension of the age variances. The existing variance will expire on June 10, 2010.

As of June 11, 2010 all pharmacists must fully comply with Wisconsin Statute 450.035 (2):

> A pharmacist may not administer a vaccine unless he or she has successfully completed 12 hours in a course of study and training, approved by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education or the board, in vaccination storage, protocols, administration technique, emergency procedures and record keeping and has satisfied the requirements specified in sub. (2t). A pharmacist may not administer a vaccine under this subsection to a person who is under the age of 18.

If you have any question regarding the variance please feel free to contact me at 608-267-9010 or joseph.cordova@wisconsin.gov.

Again, thank you for your participation in the H1N1 vaccine campaign.