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Herpes Zoster (Shingles) Immunization Program Launch

Attention: Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Family Health Teams, Walk-in Clinics, Long Term Care Homes

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The MOHLTC has announced the implementation of a publicly-funded shingles immunization program for seniors 65 to 70 years of age. Health care providers can now begin administering the vaccine to their patients who qualify for the publicly funded program.

PLEASE NOTE: Individuals born in 1945 (i.e. those who have turned or will be turning 71 years of age in 2016), will be eligible for publicly funded shingles vaccine through a one-time catch-up program until December 31, 2016. Following the one-time catch-up program, only individuals ages 65 to 70 years will be eligible for publicly funded herpes zoster vaccine.

Please refer to the HealthFax sent on September 12th for more detailed information about the Shingles vaccine.

If you have any questions, please contact the Vaccine Preventable Disease Program at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520 ext. 8806.