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All the Heads of Institution
Affiliated to CBSE,

Subject: Verification of the Immunization Records of students in schools affiliated to CBSE

Dear Principal,

As you are aware that many thousands of cases of deadly communicable diseases which occur in India can be prevented and many hundreds of lives could be spared if the methods which already have proved highly effective in checking the spread of communicable diseases can cover each child in the relevant age group.

Vaccinations (like the OPV vaccine) are given as a series of shots, not just one single dose. Some students may have missed getting all the required shots. Not getting a full course of a vaccine leaves a child unprotected and still at risk for getting a disease. Other vaccinations require a booster shot every few years to ensure that the level of immunity remains high. Therefore a strict schedule of vaccination ought to be followed for adequate protection and high level of immunity. Unprotected children may spread the disease especially in schools where large numbers of students are together in close quarters. The successes of government plans like the Universal Immunization Programme also depend on the level of awareness that can be generated through various measures.

In view of the above facts the CBSE has incorporated a format for verifying the record of immunization that a child has been subjected at the time of admission in school in the Health Manual Volume-I Page No-78-79(Annexure 'A'). CBSE has published Health Manuals in four volumes which have been revised in 2010 to include issues regarding sanitation, hygiene, environmental protection, safety, emergency medical services, CCE in context of Health and Physical Education, Eco Clubs, Health and Wellness Clubs, Scientific Skills, CCE School based assessment certificate and PEC cards.

There are two formats also given in the same manual regarding format of Health Cards. The first one is in the form of a child's Health History which the school may take at the time of admission so that

the School has a record of the child's Health status. The second format (Health Manual Volume I Page No 80-81- Annexure 'B') is more general and needs to be periodically updated to keep a record of the continuous Health status of the child through school.

It is also categorically mentioned in the Manual that at no stage should the school consider any external Examination or referral without taking the parents into confidence. Establishing good health practices is essential but keeping the parents aware and informed and taking their consent and approval at every step is even more so. For each parent the health of the child is of paramount importance and their support will be assured.

The CBSE's Affiliation Bye-laws (June 2009, P 31, xxv) also, inter alia, state that among the duties of the Heads of the school, they must also be concerned with promoting the physical well being of the pupil ensuring high standard of cleanliness and health habits and arranging periodical medical examinations of the students and sending Medical reports to parents or guardian.

It is once again requested that schools must encourage immunization of students and observe utmost sincerity in verifying the Immunization Record of each student admitted in the school. Schools must also discuss the immunization records of students with parents for a timely remediation, if needed. This will help the country in controlling and even eradicating infectious diseases.

Yours Sincerely,



(Dr Sadhana Parashar)
Director (Training)

Copy to:

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