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Subject: FW: Proposed Immunization Regulations- NOW OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Hi Cindy and Alex,

Happy Friday! I hope you can confirm or deny some things that I heard at PIC, last Wednesday.

I attended the Philadelphia Immunization Coalitions Spring Workshop at St. Christopher's Hospital in Philadelphia and the Deputy Secretary for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention from the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Loren K. Robinson, MD, MSHP, FAAP, was a presenter. She discussed the proposed changes to the immunization regulations. She stated that these proposed immunization regulations, specifically changing the provisional period from 8 months to 5 days would become effective in the 2017-2018 school year. She said that this is a 2 year process and would definitely not become effective this fall. Can you confirm or deny this?

Also, she mentioned that the Department of Health was launching a campaign, "Don't Wait, Vaccinate!" She mentioned that this would entail the County Municipal Health Departments and the State Health Centers to provide longer immunization clinics. Will there be anything coming out about that?

Thank you,

Kalyn

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From: PA School Health [mailto:c-paschool@pa.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2016 8:52 AM
Subject: Proposed Immunization Regulations- NOW OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The proposed amendments to Chapter 23, Subchapter C would take steps to ensure that children attending school in this Commonwealth are adequately protected against potential outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases. In some

cases, the only way to ensure that children are adequately protected-particularly those children who are medically unable to obtain a vaccination and, therefore, vulnerable-is to require the immunization of all children attending school. The proposed regulations posted in the Pennsylvania Bulletin on April 9, 2016, interested persons are invited to submit written comments, suggestions or objections to:

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