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Dear Ms. Findley,

As a practicing Infectious Disease physician and someone concerned about public health, I have an interest in the upcoming proposed PA vaccination rules. I absolutely agree with the regulations to require all children attending school to receive the appropriate indicated vaccinations to prevent diseases such as measles and other vaccine preventable diseases. In addition, under *Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine(MCV)* I would also include all Meningococcal Vaccines receiving an A or B recommendation from the ACIP which would then allow the new Meningitis B vaccines to be included in addition to MCV, as a single dosage series. As you are aware there have been multiple outbreaks with Meningitis B at college campuses in the last several years and the ACIP now recommends the Men B vaccines for ages 16-23 to provide short term immunity against *Neisseria Meningitidis* serogroup B.

Thank you for your consideration,

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