

# NWT Clinical Practice Information Notice

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**Title: Universal Varicella (Chickenpox) Vaccination Program**

**Effective Date:** September 1, 2001

**Statement of approved clinical practice:**

Children at 12 months of age should receive a single 0.5 mL dose of varicella vaccine administered subcutaneously. This vaccine can be given concomitantly with MMR in the opposite arm. If the vaccine is not given concomitantly, there should be an interval of 4 weeks between vaccines.


Replace the attached ***Recommended Routine Immunization Schedule in the Northwest Territories***, dated May 2001, in the Appendix, Immunizations section of the Communicable Disease Manual.

**Attachments:**

- Varicella (Chickenpox) pamphlet
- Revised NWT Immunization Schedule

**Resources previously distributed (additional copies available from Health Protection Unit) :**

- Universal Varicella Discussion Paper
- Varivax II™ Product Monograph & Fact Sheet

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