Northwest Territories Health and Social Services

NWT Clinical Practice Information Notice

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The following clinical practice has been approved for use in the Northwest Territories Health and Social Services system, and has been distributed to:

X	Hospitals	X	Community Health Centers		Homecare		LTCF	X	Pharmacists
X	Doctors' Offices		Social Services Offices	X	Public Health Units				

The information contained in this document is a Departmental:									
	Policy	X	Standard		Protocol		Procedure		Guideline

Title: Synflorix™ - conjugate pneumococcal vaccine
Effective Date: July 2009

Statement of approved Clinical Practice:

The NWT Advisory Committee on Immunization recommends Pneumococcal Conjugate vaccine for all infants born on or after January 01, 2006.

The NWT will be replacing the current Prevnar Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV-7) with Synflorix™, a Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV-10). Synflorix™ has the same schedule as Prevnar and should be administered intramuscularly at 2,4 and 6 months for the primary series and 18 months for the booster. Synflorix will supplied in 0.5 ml suspension in a pre-filled syringe.

Synflorix™ is a conjugate vaccine, adsorbed, composed of 10 active ingredients: the *S. pneumoniae* polysaccharide serotypes 1, 4, 5, 6B, 7F, 9V, 14, 18C, 19F and 23F, each conjugated to a carrier protein (protein D (PD), tetanus (TT) and diphtheria toxoid (DT). This vaccine provides protection against three new serotypes of *S. pneumonia.*

The Synflorix™ will be phased in commencing September, 2009.

- Synflorix™ will be the recommended primary series **for all infants born after July 1, 2009.**
- We will **continue to complete any infants started on the Prevnar primary series**.
- The **boosters at 18 months in the fall will be Synflorix**.

Attachments: Synflorix™ Monograph
NWT Immunization Schedule
Synflorix™ Fact Sheet

This clinical practice is approved. K Kandola
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