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Dear Colleague:

The Bureau of Immunization recently made important changes to its Citywide Immunization Registry (CIR) Health Level 7 (HL7) Web Service. These changes will affect the way you report adult immunizations to the CIR.

As of January 1, 2018, all adult immunizations reported to the CIR must include a PD1-12 segment to indicate the patient's consent for reporting. The segment must be populated with "Y" or "N" to indicate if a patient has consented to having the immunization record added to the CIR, where it will be shared with authorized users who request it, e.g., other health care providers, health plans, and colleges. (Note that the "Y" and "N" values have different meanings in HL7 versions 2.5.1 and 2.3.1). Please refer to our updated CIR HL7 Web Service Local Implementation Guide, pages 31-33, for instructions on how to populate the PD1-12 segment. This guide is available at:

<https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/doh/downloads/pdf/cir/hl7-web-service-integration-guide251.pdf>.

Please note that if the PD1-12 segment is **blank**, the immunization record will be added to the CIR only if a patient has previously indicated consent to share an immunization record.

In addition, we updated the CIR Implementation Guide to clarify that Social Security Numbers must **not** be sent to the CIR (see pages 23 and 64). We explicitly ask that the PID-19 segment be filtered out or not populated.

If you have questions, please email us at [cir\\_interop@health.nyc.gov](mailto:cir_interop@health.nyc.gov). We thank you for your efforts to report adult immunizations to the CIR via our HL7 Web Service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jane R. Zucker".

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