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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Local Health Departments  
**FROM:** Wendy Holmes, R.N., Head *WH*  
Immunization Branch  
**SUBJECT:** Availability of Varicella Vaccine for Uninsured Women

The purpose of this memo is to announce the availability of one (1) dose of Varicella vaccine for uninsured women between the ages of 19 and 44 at their local health department. Effective immediately, you may begin ordering this vaccine at the same time that you are ordering your other vaccines. The request should be combined with your pediatric varicella order (there is no separate place in NCIR for you to order for adults).

The vaccine will be available for women according to the most current NCIP vaccine coverage criteria and VFC categories. Please reference the updated coverage criteria at:  
<http://www.immunize.nc.gov/providers/coveragecriteria.htm>.

Thank you for your cooperation with these procedures. If you need additional vaccine information or assistance please contact the Immunization Help Desk at 1-877-873-6247, or contact your Regional Immunization Consultant.

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