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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS PRINCIPALS SCHOOL HEALTH NURSES

SUBJECT: Compliance with DoDEA and DoDDS-E Immunization Requirements

Thank you for your support in emphasizing the importance of the seasonal flu immunization in your school communities. The efforts school administrators and health nurses have made to arrange clinics and encourage staff, parent, and student participation have been an important factor in the Europe-wide campaign to ensure student and staff safety. I especially appreciate the counseling and coordinating role the DoDDS-E nurses have assumed throughout this semester.

While we are still collecting information that will help us determine rates of compliance, it is important that we continue to emphasize that students, parents, and staff should take steps to ensure their protection against potential flu outbreak in a school community. Principals are asked to provide the following information to staff and sponsors:

- 1) Any student or staff member who has not provided documentation of the flu immunization by January 3 will be considered to be at risk.
- 2) In the event that local military medical authority determines that an epidemic or serious outbreak is a threat to the community, any student or member of the school staff who has not received an immunization or who has a waiver will not be permitted access to the school until:
 - a. Evidence of immunization is presented or,
 - b. The installation medical professional determines the period of risk has passed.

Thank you for your assistance. Questions should be referred to Mr. Harvey Gerry, Chief of Staff, DoDDS-E.

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