

Note regarding the issuance of International Certificate Of Vaccination Or Prophylaxis

As of 15 June 2005, under the International Health Regulations (2005) (IHR (2005)), all States Parties are required to issue and accept a new **International Certificate Of Vaccination Or Prophylaxis** (IHR (2005)Annex 6), replacing the **International Certificate Of Vaccination Or Revaccination Against Yellow Fever**.

The WHO Secretariat is aware that a number of States have indicated that they may not be in a position to implement these new Certificate requirements immediately as of 15 June 2007, and will potentially continue for a limited period to issue/utilize the version of this certificate previously authorized under the IHR (1969).

The WHO Secretariat is not authorized under the Regulations to modify the provisions of, or grant extensions or exceptions, to these requirements of the IHR (2005). At the same time, in order to minimize potential short-term disruptions to international travel, States Parties may consider continuing to recognize and accept Certificates issued using the format required by the IHR(1969) for a limited time period of 6 months.

Please note the International Certificate Of Vaccination Or Revaccination Against Yellow Fever is valid for a period of 10 years and this is not affected by the entry into force of the IHR(2005). Such certificates remain valid proof of vaccination against yellow fever and do not need to be replaced by new certificates during their period of validity.