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MEMORANDUM

TO: North Carolina Immunization Program (NCIP) Participants

FROM: Carrie Blanchard, PharmD, MPH
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SUBJECT: Discontinuation of Production and Distribution of Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids Adsorbed® (DT)

Sanofi Pasteur has notified CDC that the company will discontinue production and distribution of Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids Adsorbed® (DT). The last lot was manufactured in October 2020 with an expiration date of April 2023.

The decision to discontinue the production of DT is based on the minimal demand and need to optimize industrial capacities to meet public health priorities. This decision is not driven by any concern about the safety or immunogenicity of DT.

DT vaccine is indicated for active immunization against diphtheria and tetanus in children 6 weeks through 6 years of age (prior to 7th birthday). Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Acellular Pertussis (DTaP) vaccine or DTaP-containing vaccine is recommended for immunization of infants and children 6 weeks through 6 years of age.

DT is currently recommended for infants and children who have a contraindication to acellular pertussis-containing vaccines. CDC is actively discussing updated vaccine recommendations for these children. More information will be shared once available.

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