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Dear Health Care Provider:

Attached is a Health Advisory from New York State Department of Health regarding the recent increase in Pertussis cases in adults. The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) has recently updated their recommendation and now recommends that all adults receive the Tetanus-Diphtheria and Pertussis (Tdap) vaccine if they have not previously received it and that Tdap be given regardless of the interval since their previous Tetanus-Diphtheria (Td) vaccine. This recommendation is even more important if the adult is the care giver of an infant less than 12 months of age.

If you have any questions regarding this advisory, please contact the Westchester County Department of Health Communicable Disease Nursing Staff at 914-813-5180. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sherlita Amler MD".

Sherlita Amler, MD
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