2007 October 29

The Honourable George Smitherman
Minister of Health and Long-Term Care
Hepburn Block
10th Floor
80 Grosvenor Street
Toronto ON M7A 2C4

Dear Honourable George Smitherman:

At the 2007 October 18 regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit, the Board supported the following resolution:

"WHEREAS the prevalence of the Human Papillomavirus has been shown to be high in Canadian women and has been shown to be the cause of cervical cancer;

"WHEREAS cervical cancer is the second most common cancer in Canadian women between the ages of 20-44;

"WHEREAS the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) has recommended immunization of women between the ages of 9-25;

"THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit recommends the expansion of the HPV Immunization Program to all women between the ages of 9-25;

"FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Ontario Boards of Health and the issue be brought forward to the alPHA December conference."

Sincerely,

G. Allen Heimann, MD, MHSc.
Medical Officer of Health
Secretary to the Board of Directors

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cc: Dr. George Pasut, Acting Chief Medical Officer of Health, Public Health Division, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care
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