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To Whom it may concern,

We have identified a pattern related to data entry errors for billing at your Service Delivery Location. It has come to our attention that there have been cases where the Seasonal and High dose influenza vaccines are entered for the same client on the same date.

Ensuring accurate and precise data entry is crucial in maintaining the integrity of our records. This in turn effects inventory, surveillance information and fee allocation.

The current eligibility for the Seasonal flu vaccine is as follows:

- Manitobans 6 months of age and older who are registered with <u>Manitoba Health</u> are eligible for the influenza vaccine free-of-charge.
- Manitobans 65 years of age and older who are registered with <u>Manitoba Health</u> are also eligible for the high-dose influenza vaccine free-of-charge.
- International students and out-of-province visitors are eligible to receive the flu vaccine free-ofcharge regardless of third-party insurance and/or Manitoba Health coverage (an administration fee may be charged).

Adhering to the five rights of drug administration is essential. Entering vaccines that the client did not receive compromises "Right Drug".

For further information regarding flu vaccination and documentation practices, please see the following resources:

Manitoba Health, Seasonal flu program: https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/flu/index.html

Canadian Immunization Guide: Immunization records: Canadian Immunization Guide - Canada.ca

Immunization Regulation, The Public Health act: Immunization Regulation, M.R. 36/2009 (gov.mb.ca)

Sincerely,

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