October 18, 2012

MEMORANDUM

TO: Local Health Directors
    Immunization Coordinators

FROM: Beth Rowe-West, RN, BSN, Head
   Immunization Branch

SUBJECT: Additional Funding for Activity 715 Immunization Action Plan in Calendar Year 2012

The purpose of this memo is to announce that your health department will receive additional, one-time non-recurring, Aid-to-County funds which must be used to help improve your local immunization efforts. These funds are available and may be accessed through the WIRM in Activity 715 Immunization Action Plan. As with your existing allocation, these dollars must be spent or encumbered by the end of the service period (06/01/2012 - 12/31/2012) December 31, 2012 or they will revert. All expenditures must be reported by the liquidation date of February 28, 2013 as outlined in your Agreement Addendum for activity 715.

Recipients should purchase items which will improve your capacity to administer, store and handle vaccines and support efforts to increase immunization coverage rates. For example, you may use these funds to purchase computers, including laptops used in immunization clinics or for tracking purposes, flash drives to access the NCIR during off site clinics, refrigerators, alarms, community outreach and/or personnel time used exclusively for immunization activities. We encourage you to take inventory of supplies used in the administration of vaccines and purchase enough supplies to meet your needs for at least the first quarter of 2013 as funding availability will be limited during this time.

Questions may be directed to your Regional Immunization Nurse, or call the Immunization Branch, and ask for Gary Walker at 919-707-5556.

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