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DATE 17 September 1996

TO/DEST. Co-ordinator
Community Services Committee

FROM/EXP. Acting Medical Officer of Health

SUBJECT/OBJET **FINAL REPORT OF 1996 MEASLES
IMMUNIZATION CAMPAIGN**

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide the Community Services Committee with the results of the recently completed immunization campaign for the prevention of measles.

BACKGROUND

In January of this year, the Ontario Minister of Health announced a mass “catch-up” red measles immunization campaign for all children and youth attending schools in Ontario. As a result of this announcement, the Ottawa-Carleton Health Department launched its school-based red measles immunization program on February 1, 1996. Immunization clinics were held in all Ottawa-Carleton schools, with the last community clinic being held on June 25th, 1996.

OUTCOMES

A total of 340 school-based clinics and 52 community “pick-up” clinics were offered in the Ottawa-Carleton community. As a result of the campaign, 125,310, or approximately 92% of eligible school age children and youth, received a second dose of red measles vaccine at school or at community clinics.

The campaign was extremely successful due to the combined efforts of Health Department staff, very accommodating school personnel, supportive students, volunteers and parents.

*Approved by
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