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SUBJ: IMMUNIZATIONS UPDATE

A. Immunizations and Chemoprophylaxis, COMDTINST M6230.4 (SERIES) 1.
Based upon recent recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Military Vaccine Agency, the following changes will be made to the Coast Guard immunization program:

- a. Smallpox vaccine: will no longer be given to accessions.
- b. Yellow fever vaccine: will no longer be given to accessions.
- c. Tdap vaccine: all Coast Guard accessions and all uniformed healthcare personnel (HCP) are required to receive a single dose of Tdap if they have not previously received Tdap, have no medical contraindications or administrative waivers. This dose of Tdap is to be given regardless of the time since the last tetanus and diphtheria (Td) dose. After receipt of Tdap, HCP should receive routine booster immunization against tetanus and diphtheria according to previously published guidelines.

3. The Coast Guard Business Intelligence (CGBI) system and the Medical Readiness Reporting System (MRRS) will be updated to reflect these changes.

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7. Internet release is authorized.

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