To: The Managerial Authorities of Primary, Secondary, Community and Comprehensive Schools and to the Vocational Education Committees

Tuberculosis (TB) - Vaccination of teachers

The Minister for Education and Science has been advised by the Chief Medical Officer (for the public service) that the general requirement for teachers to receive Tuberculosis (TB) Vaccination if they are not immune is no longer required.

Accordingly this requirement is being removed with immediate effect and all earlier rules and directions by Circular Letter in relation to this matter are hereby rescinded.

The issue of immunisation may arise from time to time in individual schools, and in this instance a school authority should seek the advice from the Health Service Executive (HSE).

Queries in relation to this notice may be emailed to

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You are requested to ensure that copies of this circular are provided to the appropriate representatives of parents and teachers for transmission to individual parents and teachers.

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