

Statewide Advisory Commission on Immunizations

2015 COMMISSION

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Dear Governor Hogan, Chair Conway, and Chair Hammen:

Deena Speights-Napata, MA

In accordance with Health-General Article §18-214(k), the Statewide Advisory Commission on Immunizations (the Commission) is submitting this annual report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee. The Commission is charged with determining where community vaccine shortages exist, developing recommendations for equitable distribution of vaccines, making recommendations for how to increase immunizations, and studying and making recommendations about other vaccine-related issues.

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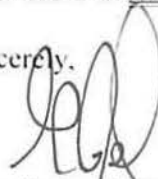
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The Commission held one meeting in Calendar Year 2015. Due to the unexpected resignation of the Commission's Chair, the September and subsequent meetings were cancelled. The process to replace the Commission Chair has been initiated. During the May 2015 meeting, the Commission received updates on the implementation of the new 7th grade vaccination requirements and discussed activities to raise the human papillomavirus vaccination rates among adolescents.

This letter shall serve as the Commission's annual report for Calendar Year 2015. If you have any questions, please contact me at 410-767-6679 or greg.reed@maryland.gov.

Sincerely,



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