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### Organization of EPI & VPD Reviews - 2016

The annual EPI & VPD Reviews assesses the immunization coverage by PHM areas to verify the proportion of registered and estimated children who have been immunized according to the National Immunization Schedule. Selected quality aspects of the programme were also focused during the review. These reviews generate valuable information that could be utilized to fine tune the immunization programme. Regional Epidemiologists and MOO (MCH) under the direction of the RDHS are expected to organize reviews in each district.

The MOH with the assistance of his/her team should compile the data at MOH level and present the information at the review meeting. The electronic copies of Guidelines for data collection (**Annexure I**), MOH level data collection format (**Annexure II**) and the electronic formats for the district presentation (**Annexure IV**) could be downloaded from the Epidemiology Unit web site. Please provide both electronic and printed formats to the MOOH & request them to be ready with a power point presentation for the review. **Please inform MOOH to complete the formats in triplicate and share a copy with you** at least two weeks prior to the review. **One copy should be forwarded to the Epidemiology Unit prior to the EPI review.**

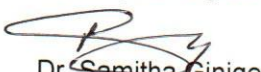
**The Regional Epidemiologist should compile MOOH data and should prepare a district summary according to the Annexure III.** Electronic formats for the district presentation (**Annexure V**) also could be downloaded from the Epidemiology Unit web site.

Please arrange to **conduct a pre review at district level** prior to the National review in order to rectify errors if any occurred during data collection and preparation of the MOH presentations.

Minutes of the review and the actions/decisions taken during the review should be maintained by the Regional Epidemiologist as per **Annexure VII** and it should be shared with the Chief Epidemiologist and the Director (MCH).

The proposed date for the review meeting in your district (**Annexure VI**) is attached hereto for concurrence and confirmation. Please contact Dr. Thushanthi Wijesinghe of this unit for further information if any.

Thank you for your continued support for the National Immunization Programme.

  
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|    | 06. RE /MO (MCH)                    | -For necessary action & participation   |
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