Appendix B



Dear Parents/Legal Guardians,

You will find included in this package from Toronto Public Health, information related to the Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccination Program that will occur at your child's school in the near future. The Board of Trustees for the Toronto Catholic District School Board are encouraging parents to educate themselves about the vaccine and make an informed decision as to whether or not their daughter in grade eight should receive the vaccine.

Along with the letter regarding the HPV vaccine from the Catholic Bishops of Ontario, the Trustees have suggested that parents consult with their family doctor regarding the vaccine. The Trustees have also requested that the following websites be included in this information package in order for parents to further educate themselves about the HPV Vaccination:

- The Mayo Clinic website located at: <u>www.mayoclinic.org</u>
- The Vaccine Adverse Effect Reporting System website located at: <u>http://vaers.hhs.gov</u>

Information regarding additional immunization clinics offered at various locations and times from Toronto Public Health can be found online at: <u>http://www.torontocentralhealthline.ca/displayService.aspx?id=153851</u>

All information available from Toronto Public Health regarding the immunization program is available in many different languages and can be accessed through the following website: <u>http://www.torontocentralhealthline.ca/displayService.aspx?id=166339</u>

We hope this additional information will prove beneficial and allow you to make an informed decision in the best interest of your child.