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Dear Colleague

UPDATE ON BEXSERO® (MENINGITIS B) VACCINE PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET (PIL)

This letter is to advise you of forthcoming changes to the Patient Information Leaflets (PILs) that accompany every pack of Bexsero® (Meningitis B) vaccine.

At present all supplies of Bexsero® vaccine (10 doses) are also supplied with a pad of ten Patient Information Leaflets (PILs), as well as an additional single PIL inside each Bexsero® pack.

Starting shortly, an updated version of the PIL pad will begin to be distributed with Bexsero® vaccine orders. At that stage whenever you start to receive PIL pads that no longer match the PIL within the pack, please detach and use the updated PIL from the pad and dispose of the single PIL from inside the pack, as it will then be out-of-date. It is likely that this situation will last for approximately one year.

Yours sincerely

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