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Dear Immunization Registry Participant

Re: Immunization Registry Town Hall Meeting

Over the years, your dedication, participation and hard work in the Houston Harris County Immunization Registry (HHCIR) has been invaluable in raising childhood immunization rates in Houston-Harris County. The Houston Department of Health and Human Services has made a policy decision to relinquish its ownership of HHCIR as the local public immunization registry and transition its data to ImmTrac, the statewide immunization registry in an effort to streamline processes and focus on additional strategies to improve immunization rates in the Houston community. As we move forward with plans for the transition, we need your feedback on issues that are important to you. I would like to personally invite you to join us at an Immunization Registry Town Hall Meeting to be held on July 30, 2008.

At the meeting we will provide an overview of a transition plan developed in collaboration with the Texas Department of State Health Services, Texas Children's Hospital, the Houston Area Immunization Partnership and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. One of the goals is to ensure that the transition does not negatively impact the level of provider participation, support for users or the number of children enrolled in the registry. Your presence and participation is important in helping us meet this goal.

This Town Hall meeting will be held on July 30, 2008 at the United Way of Greater Houston, 50 Waugh Drive. Two sessions will be available from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (lunch provided) and 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. (dinner provided). Please choose the one session most convenient for you.

Please RSVP to Vicky Staten at 713 794 9437 or online at houstonhealth.org by July 25, 2008.

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