MEMORANDUM 2014-1

TO: Local TB Nurses

FROM: Jason Stout, M.D.
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RE: Changes to the NC TB Control Policy Manual

Please see below for a list of corrections and additions to the NC TB Control Policy Manual. These changes have been posted on our web site (http://epi.publichealth.nc.gov/cd/lhds/manuals/tb/toc.html) and can be found in the respective chapters. Please download the new information and incorporate these pages into your manual to ensure that you are basing your management of TB on the most current policies.

1. Chapter III
   a. page 2, C.7 - Clarified who DOPT should be used for.
   b. Page 7, H. 5 – took out the sentences: Additionally, exclusively breastfed infant whose mothers are taking INH should be offered B6 as a supplement. Mothers declining B6 for their infants should not have INH treatment for LTBI withheld.

2. Chapter IV
   a. pages 36-37 – The DOT community TB referral form was replaced with the newest revision.

3. Chapter V
   a. pages 2-4 – updated recommendations about how LTBI should be treated in individuals with HIV infection.

4. Chapter IX
   a. pages 7-8 took out contact information for the health educator since we no longer have one
   b. Pages 11-16 took out the information about Cherry Hospital since we can no longer house TB patients at Cherry Hospital.