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Notice of Extension of Chapter Expiration Date

Communicable Diseases

N.J.A.C. 8:57

Take notice that the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Health ("Department") informed Governor Phillip D. Murphy that the rules entitled Communicable Diseases, N.J.A.C. 8:57, are due to expire on February 8, 2023, pursuant to the sunset provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.

The rules cover key public health issues: (1) communicable disease investigation and reporting; (2) New Jersey Immunization Information System; (3) immunization of pupils in school; (4) management of tuberculosis; (5) higher education immunization; (6) student health insurance coverage; and (7) childhood immunization insurance coverage. The rules promote the prevention, identification, and reporting of specified communicable diseases so that public health officials can take appropriate action to prevent the further spread of those diseases to other persons and thereby preserve, maintain, or improve the public health. Continuing these rules will allow the Department to implement the rules and safeguard public health pending amendments and/or updates to the chapter given the ongoing public health challenges facing the residents of New Jersey.

By the authority vested in him pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.d(1), Governor Phillip D. Murphy, on February 2, 2023, directed that the expiration date be extended for N.J.A.C. 8:57, for a period of 12 months, from February 8, 2023, to February 8, 2024.