

PERINATAL HEPATITIS B PREVENTION PROGRAM

The Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program, part of the Immunization Branch of the N.C. Division of Public Health, is responsible for assuring timely and appropriate case management for all HBsAg positive pregnant women and their infants. Along with local health departments, the Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program provides individualized case management to hepatitis B-infected mothers and infants to assure completion of vital post-exposure immunoprophylaxis at birth, hepatitis B series completion by 6-8 months of age and post- vaccination serology by 9-12 months of age to confirm immunity or infection.

Case management of hepatitis B events associated with pregnant women, their infants and contacts is the responsibility of the Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program; hepatitis B surveillance is the responsibility of the Communicable Disease Branch. Any and all questions and concerns regarding hepatitis B cases in pregnant women and/or their infants should be directed to the state Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program. Contact information is listed below.

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See Memo section in the HBV Manual

“Reorganization of General Acute and Chronic Hepatitis B Surveillance”, March 31, 2011, Kevin Ryan, MD, MPH, and Megan Davies, MD, MPH

Communicable Disease Branch Program Alert, July 15, 2011