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Mrs. Betty Bumpers
Every Child By Two
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Dear Mrs. Bumpers:

The U.S. Department of Education is pleased to endorse Every Child By Two's plan to promote a nationwide system of immunization registries that will provide accurate, up-to-date information about children's immunizations.

We have carefully reviewed the materials you have provided and recognize the value of this program for children and schools. The automatic printout of a student's immunization status will promote greater accuracy of records and avoid duplication of immunizations. This will enable school officials to focus on other important health-related activities.

We wish you much success in this significant health care initiative and look forward to continuing to work together.

Yours sincerely,

Dick Riley

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