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**Title of Research Study: PROVIDER COMMUNICATION REGARDING CHILDHOOD
VACCINES: AN EDUCATIONAL MODULE**

Dear Healthcare Provider,

My name is Amber Burgad, and I am in the Doctorate of Nursing Practice program at North Dakota State University. As part of the requirements for my clinical dissertation, I would invite you to participate in an online educational module that will focus on educating healthcare providers on communication strategies to effectively recommend childhood vaccinations from newborn to kindergarten entry. The title of the course is “Provider Communication Regarding Childhood Vaccines: An Educational Module” and would take 1 hour of your time in exchange for 1.00 continuing education credits upon completion.

The module includes information and resources regarding barriers that exist, communication styles, and healthcare provider interventions that can positively affect childhood vaccine rates. The goal of the project is to increase competence in provider practice when discussing childhood vaccines with parents after viewing the educational module while drawing from previous clinical experiences. Participation in this module is voluntary, there is no charge, and no membership with the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners or the North Dakota Department of Health is necessary to participate and to receive continuing education credit.

You are invited to participate in this project if you are a healthcare provider. Participation is voluntary and you may choose to end the module at any time, without penalty.

Participation in this practice improvement project does not involve direct contact and therefore provides minimal to no risk to the participant upon completion of this educational module.

Participation in this project may provide benefit to you and/or your practice by improving your knowledge of communication styles or allowing you to better counsel and recommend vaccines to your patients. It is possible that you may not feel as though you receive any benefit from participating in this project. Other potential benefits may include a change in practice behavior, increased vaccination rates, and a decreased rate of vaccine-preventable diseases.

Prior to the educational module, the pre-test includes questions related to provider knowledge regarding communication styles when recommending vaccines. These questions will need to be completed before being able to start the module and will take approximately five minutes of your time. After you complete the module, post-test questions and the module evaluation will be available and need to be completed in order for you to receive your continuing education credit. Any information gathered from the pre-test, post-test, and module evaluation will remain completely anonymous. No one, not even myself or my dissertation committee, will know from who the information came from.

Please use the same computer to complete all aspects of this module. For AANP certification, please provide your professional license number if applicable. If you do not have a license number, you are able to proceed with entering the last four digits of your telephone number for certification.

I would like to thank you in advance for your participation. If any questions arise, please feel free to contact me at 701-226-5455 or Amber.Burgad@ndus.edu. You may also contact my Committee Chair, Dr. Heidi Saarinen at 701-231-7821 or Heidi.Saarinen@ndus.edu.

As a research participant, you have rights. If you have any questions about the rights of human participants in this research or would like to report a problem, please contact the North Dakota State University IRB Office by telephone at 701-231-8995, toll-free at 855-800-6717, by e-mail at NDSU.IRB@ndsu.edu, or by mail at NDSU Institutional Review Board; 1735 NDSU Research Park Dr.; NDSU Dept. 4000; P.O. Box 6050; Fargo, ND 58108-6050.

By continuing with this educational module, you are providing your consent to participate and are voluntarily deciding to participate in this dissertation project. Again, thank you for your willingness to participate in this project. If you would like to receive a copy of the results, please contact myself or my Committee Chair.