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To: All General Practitioners
Medical Directors of HSS Trusts
Directors of Public Health in HSS Boards
Directors of Nursing in HSS Boards
Directors of Social Services in HSS Boards

20 November 2001

Dear Doctor,

AVENTIS PASTEUR MSD

VAQTA ® Paediatric (Hepatitis A Vaccine, Purified Inactivated for Children and Adolescents)

25U/0.5ml Pre-filled Syringe	PL 06745/0064		
Batch Number	Pack Size	Expiry Date	Date of First Distribution
HN55760	1x 0.5ml Syringe	06 Nov 2003	03 Oct 2001

Aventis Pasteur MSD is recalling the above batch as a precautionary measure. Recent investigations have found some syringes with potencies below the product specification.

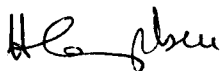
Aventis Pasteur MSD has advised that any patient who has received the above batch should receive an additional dose of an appropriate hepatitis A vaccine.

For medical queries contact Aventis Pasteur MSD's Vaccine Information Service on 01628 773737.

Health and Social Services Boards are asked to bring this information to the attention of homes registered with them under the Registered Homes Northern Ireland Order 1992 and 1993 Regulations, by copy of this letter.

Community pharmacists and dispensing doctors have been informed of this drug alert.

Yours sincerely



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