

**CITY OF HAMILTON
MOTION**

Council Date: February 8, 2017

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR S. Merulla

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Keeping Immunization a Public Health Success

- (a) That the Board of Health supports immunization across the life span as a safe, effective and evidence-based intervention to promote individual and population health; and,
- (b) That the Board of Health supports and promotes credible scientific information related to immunization and vaccines through Public Health Services programs; and,
- (c) That Public Health Services staff bring a report to the Board of Health by September 18, 2017 meeting, describing strategies to increase community awareness and understanding of the science and myths associated with immunization and vaccines; and,
- (d) That a letter to the Public Health Agency of Canada and the Ontario Minister of Health and Long-Term Care requesting the development and implementation of aligned national and provincial health promotion campaigns to promote vaccines across the life span; and,
- (e) That a copy of the letter described in section (d) be copied to the other 35 Boards of Health in Ontario, the Association of Local Public Health Agencies, the Ontario Public Health Association, the Canadian Public Health Association, the Canadian Paediatric Society, the Public Health Physicians of Canada, and the Canadian College of Family Physicians.