



## **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DANGEROUS PATHOGENS**

### **WORK PLAN FOR 2009/2010**

#### **Issue**

1. Based on last year's work plan (Annex 2) and current developments, a work plan for 2009/10 has been drafted for Members' consideration (Annex 1).
2. It should be noted that, in 2010, due to the introduction of the new Single Regulatory Framework, the remit and membership of the Committee may need to change.

#### **Action**

3. Members are asked to consider the draft ACDP Work Plan for 2009/10 and suggest any amendments.
4. Once the Work Plan is signed off by the committee, it will be put on the ACDP HSE website at:  
<http://www.hse.gov.uk/aboutus/meetings/committees/acdp/index.htm>
5. The ACDP TSE Working Group will agree their Work Plan for 2009/2010 at their meeting in March 2009, and this will also go on the ACDP website.

**Secretariat**

**January 2009**

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### DRAFT WORK PLAN FOR 2009/2010

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3. To maintain oversight of the work plan of the ACDP TSE Working Group.
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5. To consider the re-categorisation of Polio virus – dependent on the progress of the global polio eradication programme.
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7. To draft additional guidance on working with *Neisseria meningitidis*

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6. To advise on Safety Performance Indicators, following progress on this with the Containment Level 4 user group.
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