**Thank-You Letter to GlaxoSmithKline from local Bishop**

Patrick Desbiens Senior Vice President

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Dear Mr. Desbiens,

I write to thank you and your colleagues at GlaxoSmithKline for the development of your new shingles vaccine, Shingrix.  I am grateful because I learned that your new vaccine was not derived from cell lines linked to elective abortion, and I intend to share this good news with Catholic leaders and parishioners across the (Arch)Diocese of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

            As you are probably aware, many Catholics, including those who are healthcare providers, do not wish to use vaccines or medicines produced from cell lines linked to elective abortion.  Shingrix will most certainly alleviate those concerns and I hope that our use and promotion of this vaccine will provide GSK with an incentive to pursue other vaccines and medicines that have no connection to elective abortion.

            Again, I commend you for your efforts and look forward to sharing this good news.

Sincerely,

                                                            (Local Bishop)