



**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
GREATER FLINT HEALTH COALITION**

**THAT ALL GENESEE COUNTY HEALTHCARE WORKERS
RECEIVE THE INFLUENZA VACCINATION ON A YEARLY
BASIS, THAT HEALTHCARE ORGANIZATIONS IN GENESEE
COUNTY DEVELOP POLICIES SUPPORTING ANNUAL
INFLUENZA VACCINATION OF THEIR HEALTHCARE
WORKFORCE, AND THAT GENESEE COUNTY HEALTHCARE
ORGANIZATIONS ENHANCE PATIENT SAFETY PROCEDURES
DURING FLU SEASON**

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WHEREAS, the Greater Flint Health Coalition is a nonprofit Michigan corporation whose mission is to improve the health status of the residents of Genesee County and to improve the quality and cost effectiveness of the health care system in Genesee County;

WHEREAS, the Greater Flint Health Coalition's strategic business plan has a focus area of Quality and Innovation with a goal to "promote shared policies and practices that continuously improve the quality of health care delivery and the patient's experience;"

WHEREAS, the Greater Flint Health Coalition encourages and supports the adoption of safe, evidence-based, best-practice guidelines for treatments in all areas;

WHEREAS, healthcare workers, include but are not limited to physicians, nurses, nursing assistants, therapists, technicians, emergency medical service personnel, dental personnel, pharmacists, laboratory personnel, autopsy personnel, students and trainees, contractual staff not employed by a health-care facility, and persons (e.g., clerical, dietary, housekeeping, laundry, security, maintenance, administrative, billing, and volunteers) not directly involved in patient care;

WHEREAS, influenza is a serious respiratory disease that kills thousands of people in the United States each year;

WHEREAS, healthcare workers who are not vaccinated against the influenza virus could potentially expose or transmit infectious agents to and from patients and other health care workers, potentially having life-threatening consequences to their health and the health of those with whom they have contact, including all patients at their

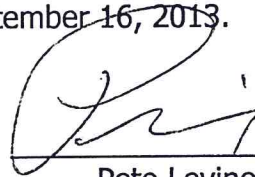
healthcare facility, their coworkers, their families, and the community;

WHEREAS, multiple national organizations and agencies, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), and the Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA), recommend that all healthcare workers in the United States get vaccinated annually against influenza;

WHEREAS, influenza vaccination of healthcare workers has been shown to prevent illness and death in patients, and reduce influenza infections and absenteeism among the healthcare workforce;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Greater Flint Health Coalition, composed of representatives and leadership from Genesee County hospitals, physicians, healthcare providers, health insurers, business, government, educators and schools, organized labor, the faith-based community, and community residents, recommends that all Genesee County healthcare workers receive the influenza vaccination on a yearly basis, that healthcare organizations in Genesee County develop policies supporting annual influenza vaccination of their healthcare workforce, and that Genesee County healthcare organizations enhance patient safety procedures during flu season.

THIS RESOLUTION has been adopted effective September 16, 2013.



Pete Levine, Secretary