



GREATER FLINT HEALTH COALITION

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING TIMELY PUBLIC HEALTH INFORMATION FOR PHYSICIANS AND HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

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WHEREAS, the Flint Water Crisis has exposed the longstanding need for immediate and inclusive communication from public health agencies to healthcare providers about epidemiological and incidence information, and;

WHEREAS, there have been several instances in recent months where official information was not provided by the Genesee County Health Department for transmission to healthcare providers in a timely fashion until after a release was issued to the media for the general public, and;

WHEREAS, in the absence of timely, accurate, information from county and state public health agencies, healthcare providers and physicians cannot immediately begin to look for infectious diseases and other health risks;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greater Flint Health Coalition Board of Directors supports the formal requests that a real-time alert system be established for all reportable information from city, county, and state public health agencies which impacts the public's health and is critical for healthcare providers to know;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all public health threat information of critical importance to physicians, be provided immediately and proactively by the Genesee County Health Department, the City of Flint, and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, to the Genesee County Medical Society for timely transmission to the physicians of Genesee County.

THIS RESOLUTION has been adopted by the Greater Flint Health Coalition Board of Directors effective October 17, 2016.

Peter Levine, Secretary

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