**2020-2021 Flu Vaccine Consent Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***Please answer YES or NO to the following questions:***

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| 1. Have you ever had an allergic reaction to the flu vaccine?
 | YES | NO |
| 1. Do you have a history of Guillain-Barre Syndrome (Illness associated with the swine flu in 1976 characterized by fever, nerve damage, and muscle weakness)?
 | YES | NO |
| 1. Are you allergic to Thimerosal (a mercury-based preservative)?
 | YES | NO |
| 1. Are you allergic to Latex?
 | YES | NO |
| 1. Do you feel ill today or do you have a fever?
 | YES | NO |
| 1. If you are a female, are you pregnant? # weeks \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
 | YES | NO |

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| **Flu**Influenza (flu) is a respiratory disease caused by Influenza virus infection. The types or strains of Influenza virus causing illness may change from year to year, or even within the same year. People who get flu may have fever, chills, headache, dry cough and muscle aches, and may be sick for several days to a week or more. Most people recover completely. However, for some people, flu may be especially severe, and pneumonia or other complications including death, may develop.  | **Flu Vaccine**The regular flu vaccine contains inactive Influenza virus of the types selected by the U.S. Public Health Service and the Center for Biologics Evaluation & Research of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. The types or strains of virus included are those which have most recently been causing Influenza. The vaccine will not give you flu because it is made from an inactive form of the virus. As with any vaccine, flu vaccine may not protect 100% of all susceptible individuals.  | **Risks & Possible Side Effects**Influenza vaccine generally causes only mild side effects that occur at low frequency. Most commonly, the reactions may be a sore or tender arm at the injection site, or possibly fever, chills, headache or muscle aches. These effects usually last 24 to 48 hours. Most people who receive the vaccine either have no or only mild reactions.  |

**CONSENT & RELEASE STATEMENT: I have read the above information about Influenza and Influenza vaccine and I have had a chance to ask questions. I understand the benefits and risks of Influenza vaccination and request that the vaccine be given to me or the person named below for whom I am authorized to sign.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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