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### Health Officer Order and Recommendation: Influenza and COVID-19 Vaccination and Masking for Staff in Hospitals and in Licensed Healthcare and Adult and Senior Care Facilities in Solano County Issued 16 October 2023

This Order shall revise and replace the prior Order of the County Health Officer issued on October 28, 2015 which is no longer in effect as of October 16, 2023.

Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code sections 101030, 101470 and 120175, the County Health Officer for the County of Solano recommends the following:

- 1. Seasonal Influenza and COVID-19 Vaccination** for all healthcare personnel who provide services or work in hospitals and in licensed healthcare facilities and adult and senior care facilities located in Solano County unless a medical or religious exemption applies.
- 2. Use of Appropriate Masks** by all healthcare personnel who provide services or work in hospitals and in licensed healthcare facilities and adult and senior care facilities located in Solano County who provide patient care or resident/client care or who have direct contact with patients or residents/clients while engaged in patient care or resident/client care activities. Utilize the guidance that is appropriate for your facility.

#### Duration of Recommendation

This recommendation is ongoing and applies for the duration of the viral respiratory season which is from November 1 to April 30 of the following calendar year. This recommendation remains in effect unless rescinded. In any given year, if surveillance data demonstrate unusually early or late periods of viral respiratory illness activity, the Health Officer may modify the period during which the recommendation is in effect. In such a case, the Health Officer shall communicate this change in writing to all affected facilities and agencies.

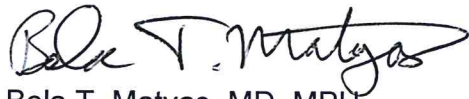
#### Persons Covered

"Healthcare personnel" are all persons, including paid and unpaid employees, contractors, students or volunteers who work in areas where patient care is provided or to which patients or facility residents have access (e.g. bedroom, dining area, hallway, recreation area, therapy area, etc.) in a facility subject to this Recommendation. Healthcare personnel includes, but is not limited to, physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, nursing assistants, medical assistants, therapists, technicians, dental personnel, pharmacists, laboratory personnel, autopsy personnel, students, trainees, contractual staff not employed by the facility and persons (e.g. clerical, dietary, housekeeping, laundry, security, maintenance, etc.) not directly involved in patient care, but potentially exposed to infectious agents that can be transmitted to and from healthcare workers and patients.

## Facilities Covered

The following facilities are covered under this Recommendation:

- i. General Acute Care Hospitals
- ii. Acute Psychiatric Hospitals
- iii. Chemical Dependency Recovery Hospitals
- iv. Skilled Nursing Facilities (including Subacute Facilities)
- v. Intermediate Care Facilities
- vi. Residential Substance Use Treatment and Mental Health Treatment Facilities
- vii. Congregate Living Health Facilities
- viii. Pediatric Day Health and Respite Care Facilities
- ix. Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) and PACE Centers
- x. Adult Day Health Care Centers
- xi. Adult and Senior Care Facilities licensed by the California Department of Social Services



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