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To: Administrator, DNS, Medical Director, Infection Preventionist and QA Committee

**From: Mary Gracey-White RN, Director of Regulatory Compliance and
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Date: March 14, 2024

Re: Annual Influenza Season and Reporting 2023-2024

As a reminder, the 2023-2024 influenza season is ongoing. New York State continues to report influenza activity as geographically widespread as of week ending 3/2/2024 ([flu report current week.pdf \(ny.gov\)](https://www.ny.gov/flu-report-current-week.pdf)). As such, continue to offer unvaccinated residents and staff the influenza vaccine through May 2024. Any staff who has not received an influenza vaccine this season is required to wear a procedure/surgical mask when in resident care areas until such time that the Commissioner of Health declares that flu is no longer widespread.

Additionally, the annual influenza reporting is fast approaching. As such, if you have not already done so, start gathering information/data to complete the reports.

National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Reporting for Healthcare Personnel

The reporting period for the 2023-2024 influenza season is from October 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024. To meet CMS reporting requirements, HCP influenza vaccination summary data reports must be entered into NHSN no later than **May 15, 2024** for the 2023-2024 influenza season. Facilities can edit their data after May 15, but the revised data will not be shared with CMS. Please see [here](#) and [here](#) for additional information. CDC will be hosting a webinar on March 28, 2024 2PM EST to review how facilities can submit annual influenza vaccination data through NHSN. Click [link](#) to register.

NYS Dept of Health (NYSDOH) Reporting for Healthcare Personnel

New York Codes, Rules and Regulations, Title 10, Section 2.59 (10 NYCRR Section 2.59) requires any healthcare facility under Article 28 the Public Health Law to document the number and percentage of personnel vaccinated against influenza for the current season and complete and report these data to the DOH. There will be one longitudinal **report** for the 2023-2024 flu season which will **open in April 2024 and close on June 1, 2024**. There will be information sent ahead from the DOH of the report opening to notify facilities of the open and close dates of the report and instructions for reporting the data. Please see [dal_hcp_report_faq.pdf \(ny.gov\)](#) and [2023-2024_reporting_advisory.pdf \(ny.gov\)](#) for additional information.