

1 **2023 NYSAC Fall Seminar**  
2 **Standing Committee on Public Health/Mental Health**  
3 **Resolution #1**

4 **Resolution in Support of Adult Vaccine Entry through NYSIIS and CIR**

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6 **WHEREAS**, vaccines are essential for preventing and controlling infectious diseases in  
7 both children and adults; and

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9 **WHEREAS**, the New York State Immunization Information System (NYSIIS) and the  
10 Citywide Immunization Registry (CIR) have proven to be effective tools in monitoring  
11 and improving vaccination rates among children, as childrens' vaccines are required to  
12 be entered into both systems; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, data on adult immunization rates in NYSIIS and CIR is currently limited,  
15 hindering public health efforts to track and manage vaccination coverage; and

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17 **WHEREAS**, universal reporting of all adult vaccines, as is already required under the  
18 Vaccines For Adults (VFA) program, enables health departments and public health  
19 officials to have accurate community-wide data to identify disparities in vaccine access  
20 and barriers to address; and

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22 **WHEREAS**, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order (EO) 202.82 was  
23 issued to require the reporting of COVID-19 and Influenza vaccinations given to adults  
24 and to allow the reporting of other vaccines to the registries without special permission;  
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27 **WHEREAS**, EO 202.82 has expired, but the measure should be made permanent to  
28 continue adult vaccine reporting in perpetuity for an accurate and robust registry unless  
29 an individual opts out; and

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31 **WHEREAS**, enhancing the tracking and reporting of adult vaccines can lead to better  
32 public health outcomes, prevent duplicate vaccinations, ease the burden of providing  
33 proof of vaccination status, and contribute to the prevention of vaccine-preventable  
34 diseases.

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36 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, New York State and New York City shall  
37 implement measures to require healthcare providers and facilities to enter all  
38 administered adult vaccines into the NYSIIS and CIR databases; and

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40 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, New York State and New York City shall establish  
41 clear guidelines and procedures for healthcare providers and facilities on reporting adult  
42 vaccination data to the NYSIIS and CIR, including the use of standardized codes and  
43 data formats; and

1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, New York State and New York City shall provide  
2 resources and support to healthcare providers and facilities to facilitate the integration  
3 of adult vaccination data into the NYSIIS and CIR, including training on data entry and  
4 reporting processes; and

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6 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, New York State and New York City shall ensure that  
7 patient privacy and confidentiality are maintained in accordance with all applicable laws  
8 and regulations; and

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10 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the New York State Department of Health and New  
11 York City shall conduct regular audits and assessments to monitor compliance with the  
12 reporting requirements and to evaluate the effectiveness of the NYSIIS and CIR in  
13 improving adult vaccination rates; and

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15 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the New York State Department of Health and New  
16 York City shall notify all authorized vaccine providers, including healthcare providers,  
17 healthcare facilities, and community organizations, of new requirements, the  
18 importance of recording adult vaccinations, and the benefits of participating in the  
19 NYSIIS and CIR; and

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21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the New York State Department of Health and New  
22 York City shall regularly publish and disseminate reports on adult vaccination rates  
23 based on data collected from the NYSIIS and CIR to inform the public and healthcare  
24 stakeholders about progress and challenges in achieving vaccination goals; and

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27 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties  
28 of New York encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and

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30 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that New York State Association of Counties shall  
31 forward copies of this resolution to Governor Kathy Hochul, the New York State  
32 Legislature, the New York State Department of Education, and all others deemed  
33 necessary and proper.