

Influenza Vaccination Declination

HealthSource Global Staffing has recommended that I receive the influenza vaccination in order to protect the patients I serve. I understand that because I work in a health care environment I may place others at risk if I work while infected with the influenza (flu) virus.

In declining an influenza vaccination for non-medical reasons, I am aware that:

- Influenza is a serious respiratory disease that kills an average of 36,000 persons and hospitalizes more than 200,000 persons in the United States each year.
- Influenza vaccination is recommended for me and all other healthcare workers to prevent influenza disease and its complications, including death.
- If I contract influenza, I will shed the virus for 24–48 hours before influenza symptoms appear. My shedding the virus can spread influenza infection to patients in this facility.
- If I become infected with influenza, even when my symptoms are mild, I can spread severe illness to others.
- I understand that the strains of virus that cause influenza infection change almost every year, which is why a different influenza vaccine is recommended each year.
- I cannot get the influenza disease from the influenza vaccine.
- The consequences of my refusing to be vaccinated could endanger my health and the health of those with whom I have contact, including
 - patients in this healthcare setting
 - my coworkers
 - my family
 - my community

Despite these facts, I am choosing to decline influenza vaccination right now. If I change my mind, I can receive a free influenza vaccination by notifying HealthSource Global Staffing so long as the vaccine is still available.

I have read and fully understand the information presented above.

Print Name _____

Signature _____ **Date** _____

I attempted to receive the influenza vaccination but it was not available.

Print Name _____

Signature _____ **Date** _____