DAEMEN FLU SHOT ACKNOWLEDGMENT & DECLINATION FORM (AMHERST CAMPUS)



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New York State mandates that healthcare facilities document the influenza vaccine status of all healthcare personnel each year and that unvaccinated personnel wear a surgical mask at all times in areas where patients or residents "may be present" during the entire flu season.

Please review the statements and sign this form below to acknowledge that you have read and fully understand the information on this declination form and will comply with this policy at the institutional level along with additional requirements set forth by the clinical site (required for EACH clinical experience).

- Influenza (flu) is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses that infect the nose, throat, and lungs.
- Some people, such as older people, young children, and people with certain health conditions, are at higher risk of serious flu complications.
- The best way to reduce the risk of flu and its potentially serious complications is by getting vaccinated each year as Influenza strains change every year.
- In declining the flu shot, I could place others at risk including patients, co-workers, friends and family if I were to be infected with the influenza virus.
- In declining the flu shot, I am required to wear a surgical mask (or a superior grade) at all times in patient care settings during flu season.
- Failure to comply with institutional infection control policies is considered to be unprofessional
 conduct and may result in removal from the assigned site and/or disciplinary action by the
 University.

Despite all of these facts, I choose to decline the Influenza (flu) vaccine this year.

Student's Name (please print)

Student's Signature

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Date Signed