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Dear Provider:

The Georgia Department of Public Health Immunization Program (GIP), in partnership with many of our private, local public health and other immunization providers, continues to work diligently in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. To continue these efforts, and based on your participation during the H1N1 pandemic, GIP is inviting you to enroll as a GA COVID-19 Pandemic Mass Vaccination Site.

Enrolled mass vaccinators will assist GIP in administering vaccine to eligible populations once a vaccine becomes available. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has asked that all public health agencies begin planning for clinics now, in preparation for vaccine availability as early as first quarter 2021. Joining this effort will allow GIP to facilitate an efficient and safe delivery of available vaccine via large community clinics, while simultaneously allowing providers to provide COVID-19 vaccine to their patients in their medical home, eliminating the need for patient referral.

Interested providers are asked to take a quick online survey for the purpose of updating demographic information stored in our Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services (GRITS) and vaccine management database, and completion of our simple enrollment process. GIP will follow up with a confirmation letter and further information about completing the simple enrollment process. To access the survey, please click the following link or type it into your web browser: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DMBGGJP.

The Georgia Immunization Program thanks you in advance for your participation, and we look forward to partnering with you to protect Georgia citizens from COVID-19 and other vaccine preventable diseases.

Sincerely,

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Immunization Program Director

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