STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
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To whom it may concern:

The Washington State Department of Health (WA DOH) is the sole Public Health Authority accepting data for public health Meaningful Use measures in Washington and is making the declaration of readiness for accepting syndromic surveillance data for the entire state.

Currently, WA DOH is ready to accept syndromic surveillance data from all Eligible Hospitals (EHs), all Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs), and select Eligible Professionals (EPs) for the purposes of satisfying Stage 1 or Stage 2 criteria for Meaningful Use.

WA DOH accepts data from eligible professionals who practice at a clinic, or are affiliated with a multi-clinic network, that provides at least one of the following types of care:

- Urgent, acute, or walk-in care
- Primary care, defined as:
  - General practice
  - Family medicine
  - Pediatric medicine
  - Internal medicine
  - OB/GYN (non-surgical)
  - Women's Health
  - Geriatric medicine
- Infectious disease specialty care
- Environmental health specialty care
- Occupational health specialty care

Eligible professionals who do not meet the above criteria may qualify for an exclusion from syndromic surveillance reporting.

Sincerely,

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