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Our Vision

That the Genesee County Medical Society maintain its position as the premier medical society by advocating on behalf of its physician members and patients.

Our Mission

The mission of the Genesee County Medical Society is leadership, advocacy, education, and service on behalf of its members and their patients.

PLEASE NOTE

The GCMS Nominating Committee seeks input from members for nominations for the GCMS Presidential Citation for Lifetime Community Service. The Committee would like to be made aware of candidates for consideration.

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Incoming President of
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Paul G Kocheril, MD

WELCOME



Dr. Kocheril is a Radiation Oncologist who practices at the Genesys Hurley Cancer Institute. He graduated with a B.A. in Chemistry from New York University and received his M.D. from Weil Cornell Medicine.

His postgraduate training included 1 year of Internal Medicine at the Miram Hospital, Brown University, in Rhode Island and Radiation Oncology residency at Mount Sinai Health System in New York. He did a one-year fellowship in Genitourinary Radiation Oncology at Harper Hospital, Wayne State University. He has been in private practice in radiation oncology in Michigan since 1996. He practiced for 20 years in Saginaw and has practiced in Flint for the past 6 years. He serves on the Cancer Committees at both Ascension Genesys Hospital and Hurley Hospital. He is an active participant in the tumor boards at both hospitals.

He joined the Genesee County Medical Society to give back to the community, by working with the society to promote evidence based recommendations, and improve safety, access, and equity for all. He endeavors to engage the community at large in Genesee County, listen to both physician and patient concerns, and engage with policy makers to advance health care.

Practice Managers

December 8, 2022

9:00 a.m.

*via Zoom

Medical Society Foundation

December 21, 2022

6:00 p.m.

*via Zoom

Board of Directors

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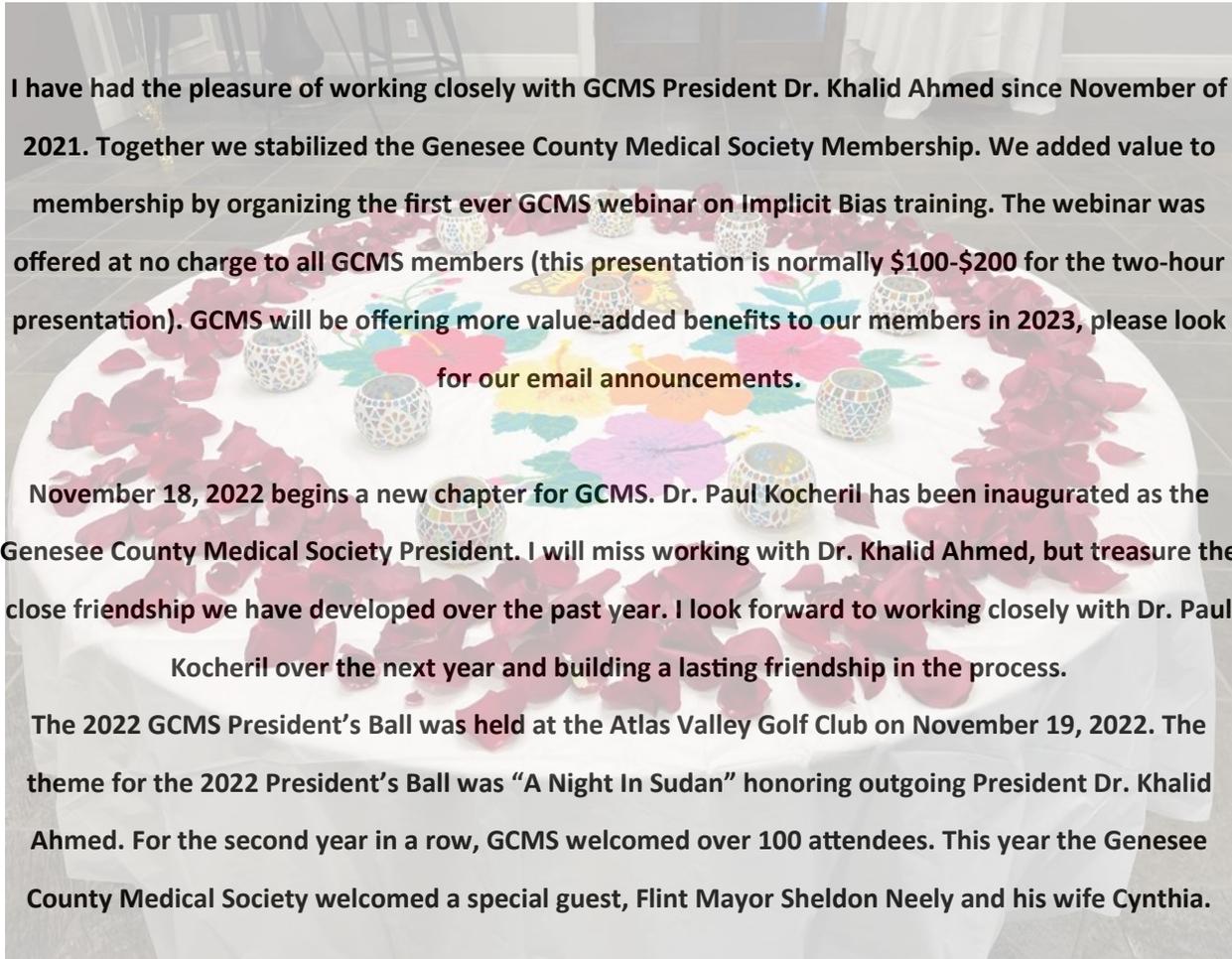
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November the Bittersweet Month

As I begin my third year as Executive Director for the Genesee County Medical Society, I have come to the conclusion November is a bittersweet month. The GCMS President serves a one-year term, November the new GCMS President is inaugurated, It is difficult for me to see the current President leave. It does however create an opportunity to build new friendship with the newly elected President.

November 19, 2022 Dr. Paul Kocheril was elected the new GCMS President for one year.



I have had the pleasure of working closely with GCMS President Dr. Khalid Ahmed since November of 2021. Together we stabilized the Genesee County Medical Society Membership. We added value to membership by organizing the first ever GCMS webinar on Implicit Bias training. The webinar was offered at no charge to all GCMS members (this presentation is normally \$100-\$200 for the two-hour presentation). GCMS will be offering more value-added benefits to our members in 2023, please look for our email announcements.

November 18, 2022 begins a new chapter for GCMS. Dr. Paul Kocheril has been inaugurated as the Genesee County Medical Society President. I will miss working with Dr. Khalid Ahmed, but treasure the close friendship we have developed over the past year. I look forward to working closely with Dr. Paul Kocheril over the next year and building a lasting friendship in the process.

The 2022 GCMS President's Ball was held at the Atlas Valley Golf Club on November 19, 2022. The theme for the 2022 President's Ball was "A Night In Sudan" honoring outgoing President Dr. Khalid Ahmed. For the second year in a row, GCMS welcomed over 100 attendees. This year the Genesee County Medical Society welcomed a special guest, Flint Mayor Sheldon Neely and his wife Cynthia.



The 2022 President’s Ball dinner was served as a buffet style with a good selection, there was something delicious for everyone. The sheet cakes were custom made from Marcella’s Bakery in Flushing.

The Sudanese cookies (two different types), were custom made by Sweet Tooth in Flint.

The entertainment for the evening was an African Drum & Dance. This was very unique and entertaining for our guests. The rest of the evening was a DJ with open dancing. To sum it up “It was a beautiful evening of fun, food, and laughter”. I have a nice tradition of spending the evening every year with Dr. Cyrus Farrehi entertaining my table.

Julie Forbush and Jennifer Shew from Sovita Credit Union held a raffle for a large basket of goodies. An attendee from the University of Michigan – Flint Health Sciences won the basket.

The 2023 President’s Ball will be held November 18, 2023 at Atlas Valley Golf Club. The Genesee County Medical Society Membership and President’s Ball are what sustain this organization. GCMS has been an organization in existence since 1841. Please consider attending and supporting this GCMS event in 2023. It is very heartwarming to see such a great turnout to honor the outgoing GCMS President.



DAVID HOFF, MA, CCP

























Slate of Candidates for 2022 -2023 (effective November 2022 Annual Meeting of GCMS)

President- Dr. Paul Kocheril

President Elect- Dr. Macksood Aftab

Secretary- Dr. Brenda Rogers-Grays

Treasurer- Dr. E.G. Raj

Past President – Dr. Khalid Ahmed

Delegates – Reappoint:

Dr. Qazi Azher

Dr. Edward Christy

Dr. Pino Colone (Place holder until off MSMS board)

Dr. Bobby Mukkamala

Alternate Delegates – New:

Dr. Ali Mohammad

Dr. Omar Habib

Member from large Groups- GCMS Board to appoint

Alternate Delegates - Reappoint:

Dr. Sunil Kaushal

Dr. Rama Rao

Dr. Scott Garner

Dr. Ehab Youssef

Dr. Mohammed Alasbahi

Dr. Macksood Aftab

Dr. John Hebert, III.

Finance Committee – Reappoint: Dr. Christy, Dr. V. Rao, Dr. Sunilkumar Rao



Michigan bills to combat opioid overdoses advance to Senate Floor

[Senate Bill 1170](#), sponsored by Sen. Curt VanderWall (R – Ludington), would amend the Administration of Opioid Antagonists Act to specify that an agency that purchased or obtained an opioid antagonist, or an employee of an agency that possessed an opioid antagonist, can distribute that opioid antagonist directly or indirectly to any individual.

[SB 1171](#), also sponsored by VanderWall, would amend the Public Health Code to allow a prescriber to issue a prescription for an opioid antagonist and allow a dispensing prescriber or pharmacist to dispense an opioid antagonist to an agency authorized to obtain an opioid antagonist under the Administration of Opioid Antagonists Act.

The bills are tie-barred, meaning neither bill could take effect unless the other were also enacted.

Find the full article [HERE](#)



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MSMS Legislative Platform & Priorities



MSMS Legislative Priorities

Key priorities of the Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS) and its 15,000 physician and medical student members are as follows:

COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic has taken a devastating toll on the physical and mental health of Michigan citizens, as well as the economic health of our state. Additionally, many of Michigan's medical practices are trying to regroup from financial and staffing losses and increased costs to comply with regulatory mandates. By using scientific data to help inform decision-making, MSMS is committed to working collaboratively with stakeholders to end the COVID-19 pandemic, safely re-engage all economic sectors, provide efficient and equitable vaccine distribution, and ensure practice sustainability.

Prior Authorization and Step Therapy Reform

The prior authorization process diverts valuable resources away from direct patient care, can delay the start or continuation of necessary treatment, and can negatively impact patient health outcomes. Step therapy, also known as fail first, is another practice that disrupts patient care by requiring patients to try other therapies before being approved for the treatment that their doctor originally prescribed. MSMS will work closely with the Legislature, regulators, and other stakeholders on ways to reform prior authorization and step therapy processes to ensure transparency, remove unnecessary and costly care delays, and support shared decision-making.

Team-based Care

Patients are best served by a team-based approach to care that provides the maximum amount of choice while ensuring that they benefit from the additional training and expertise that comes from having a physician on the team. A highly functioning health care team is the best way to serve patients. MSMS will continue to promote the role of the physician as the leader of the health care team and oppose any efforts to expand allied health professionals scope of practice that may put patients at risk.

Telemedicine

Telemedicine has proven to be an effective care delivery method that ensures convenient and timely access to patients. Before the outbreak of COVID-19, insurers covered telemedicine visits to varying extents; however, there were often obstacles such as low reimbursement and restrictions on site of care. Although payers removed some of the regulatory and administrative barriers during the pandemic, these policies are now reverting to pre-pandemic times. Moving forward, payment and service parity for the use of clinically appropriate telemedicine services is critical.

Health Equity

Several events in 2020 brought to the forefront the need to prioritize advocacy addressing systemic policies and other contributing factors that deny historically marginalized groups equal and just opportunities to maximize quality of life and health outcomes. In order to improve the health of all populations, MSMS will work to advance policies that reduce disparities and improve health equity.

Graduate Medical Education (GME)

Studies repeatedly demonstrate that one of the best ways to recruit and retain physicians is via local medical schools and residency programs. GME helps fill the gap in underserved areas by providing extremely low-cost care to those most in need. Michigan has been a leader in expanding medical school class sizes to address the projected demand for physician services, it is imperative that we continue to fund GME slots to allow these future physicians to learn here in Michigan, train here in Michigan, and stay here in Michigan.

Legislative & Regulatory Platform

MSMS has long-standing positions and policies on numerous topics. Following is an overview of the top issues comprising the MSMS legislative and regulatory advocacy platform.

Insurance and Regulatory Advocacy

- Support mental health and substance use disorder parity
- Ensure appropriate access to and payment for telemedicine
- Advocate for adequate and transparent physician networks
- Reduce unnecessary administrative costs

Public Health and Prevention

- Strengthen public health infrastructure
- Support vaccine availability and oppose efforts to weaken Michigan's vaccine laws
- Improve health equity
- Ensure access to evidence-based non-opioid pain care and opioid use disorder treatment
- Reduce childhood environmental hazards
- Reduce gun violence through health screening, patient counseling and expanded access to mental health services

Professional Liability

- Preserve existing tort reforms
- Support higher negligence thresholds in medical liability cases
- Eliminate the lost opportunity doctrine
- Maintain the legislative intent and enforceability of all medical liability tort reforms

Medicaid

- Seek funding parity with Medicare
- Seek funding sources that are fair and sustainable
- Support state funding for the Healthy Michigan Plan
- Ensure access to physician-directed care

Physician Supply and Training

- Increase graduate medical education funding at state level
- Minimize burden of medical school debt

Insurance Contracting Reform

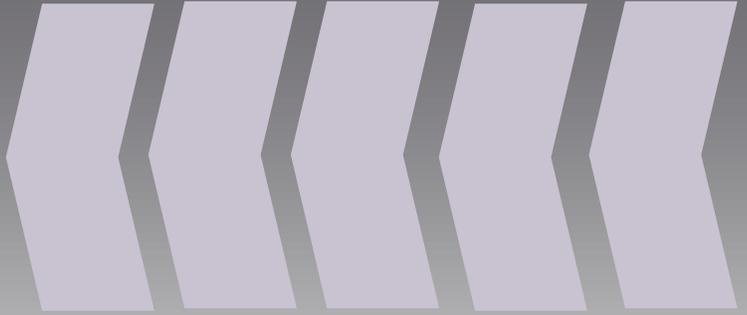
- Limit retroactive audit timeframes
- Support adequate disclosure of fee screens
- Support appeals process that includes independent reviews

Scope of Practice

- Support physician-led, team-based health care
- Support education over legislation as the means of increasing scope of practice
- Oppose independent prescriptive authority by non-physicians
- Support patient right-to-know/health professional credentials disclosure

For more information about MSMS legislative advocacy, please contact:

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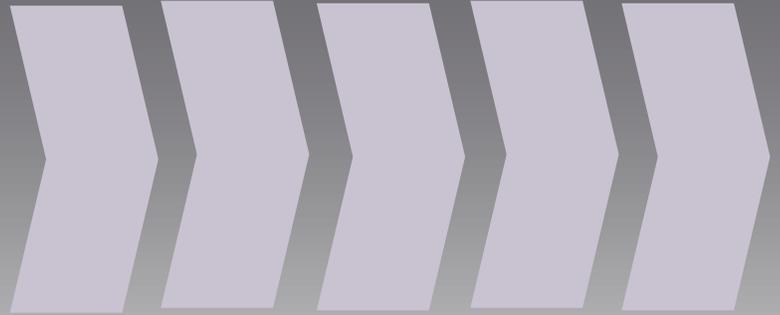


CDC: Bivalent boosters better at preventing symptomatic COVID-19 than previous shots

[Bloomberg Law](#) (11/22, Langreth, Muller, Subscription Publication) reports bivalent COVID-19 vaccine boosters from Moderna and Pfizer-BioNTech “that fight the latest Omicron variants provide only modest short-term protection against mild infections, and experts say it’s still unclear whether the updated shots are any better than earlier versions at preventing hospitalization and severe illness.” These “bivalent boosters were just 43% effective at preventing mild illness compared to receiving no vaccine in adults 49 and under, according to a” CDC [study](#).

[NBC News](#) (11/22, Lovelace) reports, “The first real-world data on the new Omicron vaccines find that they are better at preventing symptomatic COVID infections than the earlier doses...said” the CDC. These “results are based on more than 360,000 symptomatic adults tested for COVID at pharmacies nationwide from Sept. 14 to Nov. 11.”

[The Hill](#) (11/22, Choi) reports the results indicated the bivalent shots “provided stronger protection when those who received it were compared to people who only received two, three or four doses of the original monoclonal vaccine.”



White House announces six-week push to increase bivalent COVID-19 booster uptake

The [Washington Post](#) (11/22, Cha, Sellers) reports that on Tuesday, the White House “announced a six-week push ahead of the winter travel season to increase booster uptake in seniors, minority communities and rural areas – all of which have disproportionately suffered severe disease and death during the coronavirus pandemic.” The Post adds, “The Biden administration has faced growing frustration over its bivalent booster rollout,” as “efforts to market the shots to the American public have been limited, and booster uptake has remained sluggish since it was approved Aug. 31.”

The [Wall Street Journal](#) (11/22, Abbott, Subscription Publication) reports HHS will extend nearly \$350 million to community health centers for the vaccination efforts and nearly \$125 million to organizations serving older adults and those with disabilities, the White House said.

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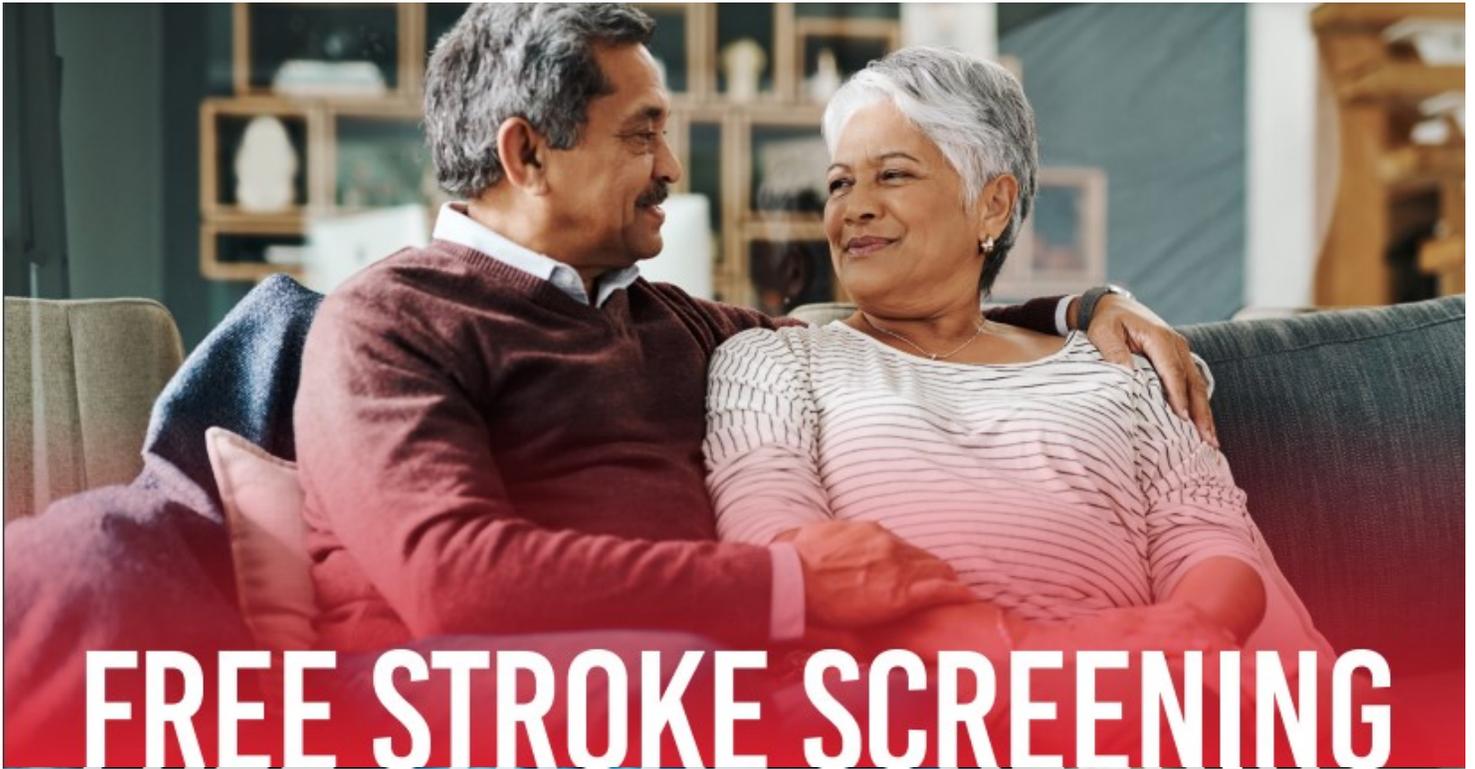
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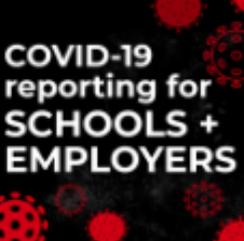
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 **COVID-19 Summary for Genesee County, Michigan**

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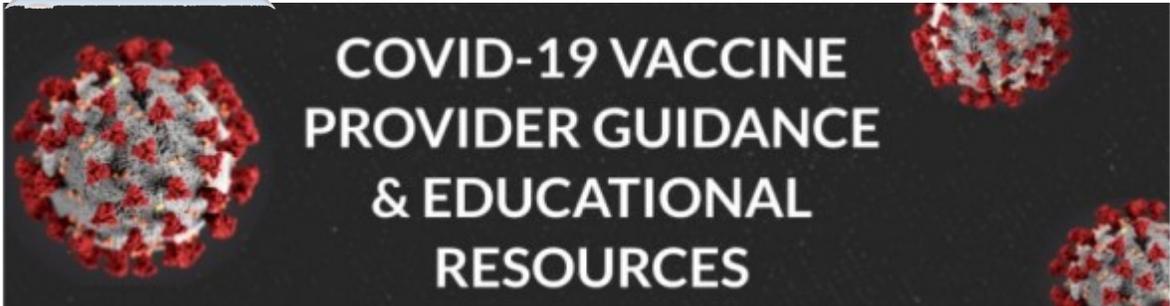
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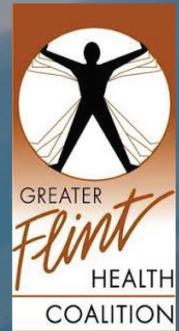
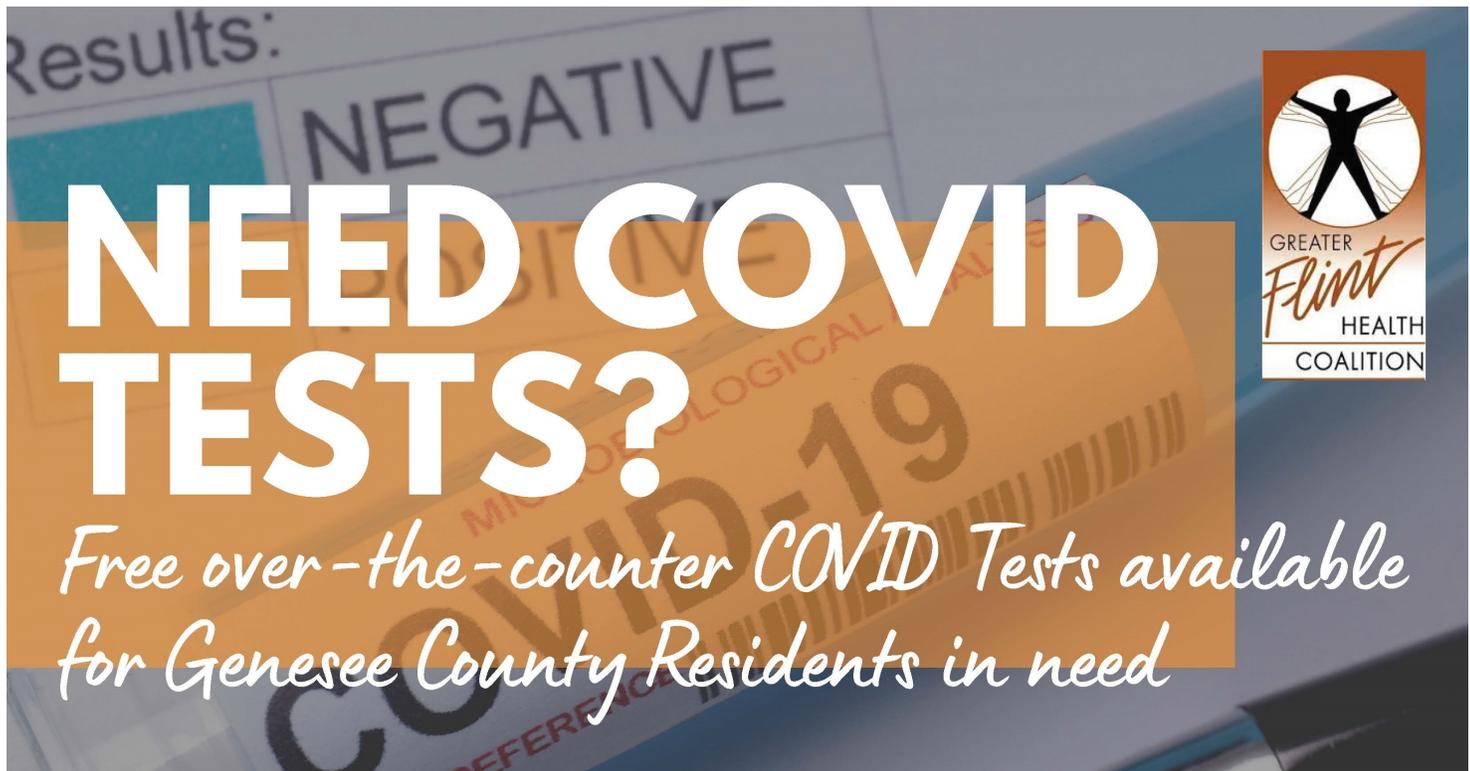
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Report results to GCHD at www.gchd.us or click [here](#).

Isolate yourself from others for 5 days following symptom onset (if symptomatic) or positive test result (if asymptomatic).

Tell your close contacts that they may have been exposed to COVID-19.

Call GCHD at 810-344-4800 if you are unable to use online resources.



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If you are at an increased risk of becoming very sick, treatment maybe be available. Contact your health care provider right away if your test result is positive.



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Guest Article

Stop America's Violence Everywhere (S. A. V. E.)

With rising violence everywhere, the AMA Alliance launched the very important health promotion project "Stop America's Violence Everywhere" in 1995. Numerous anti-violence programs have been implemented in county and state alliances across the country. The GCMS Alliance has been distributing children's activity books "Hands Are Not For Hitting" and "You Can Stop Bullies" in elementary schools to bring awareness to the serious community problem. In addition, they have been involved with the Genesee County Committee for Community Peace to celebrate the first Saturday of October as a Peace and Unity Day that brings several organizations together.

This year, the event was held on Saturday, October 1. People gathered by the Mahatma Gandhi statue in the UM-Flint campus. Leaders from different faiths spoke about the importance of unity in diversity. The Steel Drum Band was on hand to entertain the congregation. We moved on to the Michigan Rooms where a short program was held, organized by GCMS Alliance member, Sabita Tummala, and others. Some students spoke, sang and danced emphasizing on the theme. Past President Lakshmi Tummala, Elizabeth Jordan and Rula Ali handed prizes to winners of the essay contest that was sponsored by the Alliance. Lakshmi spoke about the reading material distributed in elementary schools that fall under the S. A. V. E. and Reach Out and Read projects. The latter helps students improve their reading skills and obtain better grades. Jay Kommareddi spoke on hate crimes that on rise everywhere. Each year, a person in the community who goes above and beyond to promote non violence in the community is presented with the Peacemaker of The Year Award. This year's recipient was Isaiah M. Oliver, President - Community Foundation of Greater Flint. The event concluded with refreshments.



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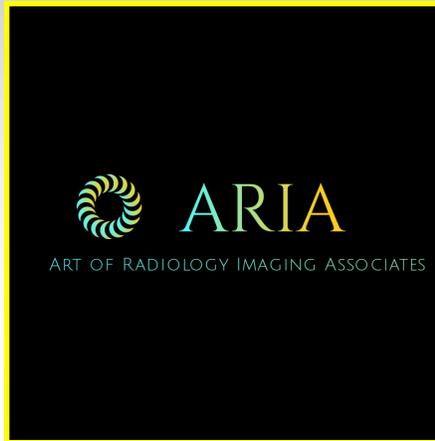
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Reasons to call GHS:

- If you feel your child/youth is in a crisis
- The child/youth may hurt themselves or others
- The child is experiencing overwhelming confusion, anger, or emotional unresponsiveness

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Other services include:

- Crisis and Safety Planning
- Referrals to needed services
- Education on resources, diagnosis and services
- Collaboration and problem solving

* Psychiatric consults, as needed (does not include medication review for prescription)

** Intensive Crisis Stabilization services cannot be provided to individuals who are currently residing in inpatient settings: Jail/detention centers or residential settings (i.e. child caring institutions, crisis residential, etc.).

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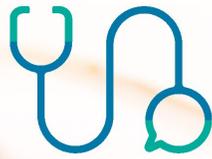
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