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North Bay and District Hospital
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North Bay and Area Employers,

Due to the increased numbers of patients presenting to the Emergency Department with influenza like symptoms, we are currently experiencing longer than expected wait times for non urgent care.

As such, we are requesting your assistance during the fall and winter influenza season. To facilitate the treatment of those members of our community who are the most ill, we are asking that employers assist us by *not requiring sick notes or return to work notes during this period.*

We feel that these policies will aid you in keeping sick employees at home, and reducing the exposure of healthy workers to H1N1 and seasonal influenza. As such, we expect that such a policy will reduce the total amount of lost work time.

We appreciate your cooperation in these matters.

Sincerely,

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