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## **HCAM Statement on Vaccine Mandates**

The following was released by Melissa Samuel, President/CEO of the Health Care Association of Michigan upon the release of a statement by the American Health Care Association/National Center for Assisted Living (AHCA/NCAL) on vaccine mandates.

"The Health Care Association of Michigan (HCAM) continues to strongly support the vaccination of staff and residents in long-term care facilities. We appreciate that the state of Michigan made nursing facilities and assisted living communities a priority for vaccination. That decision made an important impact and has saved lives. As facilities across Michigan monitor the impact of the Delta Variant, the association supports those providers who mandate the COVID-19 vaccine for employees, understanding that local circumstances dictate whether this is the best policy for individual facilities, their staff and residents."

Click **HERE** for the statement from AHCA/NCAL.

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