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## 2023-2024 Healthcare Worker Influenza Vaccination Report

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), and the Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC) recommend that all U.S. healthcare workers (HCW) get vaccinated annually against influenza. Maine state law (22 M.R.S. § 802) requires that healthcare facilities report data on seasonal influenza vaccine coverage among HCW in their facilities annually to the Maine CDC.

The 2023-2024 HCW Influenza Vaccination Survey was completed for the reporting period of March 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024. The vaccination data reported by all facility types was analyzed and a summary table was generated (Table 1). Hospital specific data was analyzed separately and a graphical representation of these results by individual hospital can be found on the following page (Figure 2).

The State average for vaccine coverage in the 2023-2024 influenza season for healthcare workers among all facility types was 94.5% showing a decrease of 1.8% from the 2022-2023 season. Influenza rates among hospital specific facilities are higher at 96.6% which is attributed to more complete record keeping, seasonal influenza campaigns, and quality improvement measures.

Vaccination is the most effective and efficient way to ensure that healthcare workers, their family members and patients, particularly those who are immunocompromised, are protected against seasonal influenza. This is perhaps one of the most important reasons why it would be advantageous for facilities to meet all requirements of the Maine Immunization Healthcare Workers law and to help reach the goal of the Maine Immunization Program to bring the State vaccine coverage rate average for influenza to 100%.

Table 1: Influenza Immunization Rates by Facility Type

Influenza Vaccination Rates by Facility Type, 2023-2024 Season							
Vaccine	Home Health	Hospital	Intermediate Care/MR	Licensed Nursing	Multi-Level Healthcare	Residential Care	All Reporting Facilities
# Facilities Assessed	12	35	18	44	19	322	451
Paid Employees	97.3%	96.6%	81.8%	89.2%	95.5%	74.2%	92.7%
Residents	-	4.5%	96.7%	73.7%	82.6%	73.0%	74.2%

Figure 1: Influenza Immunization Rates by Facility Type

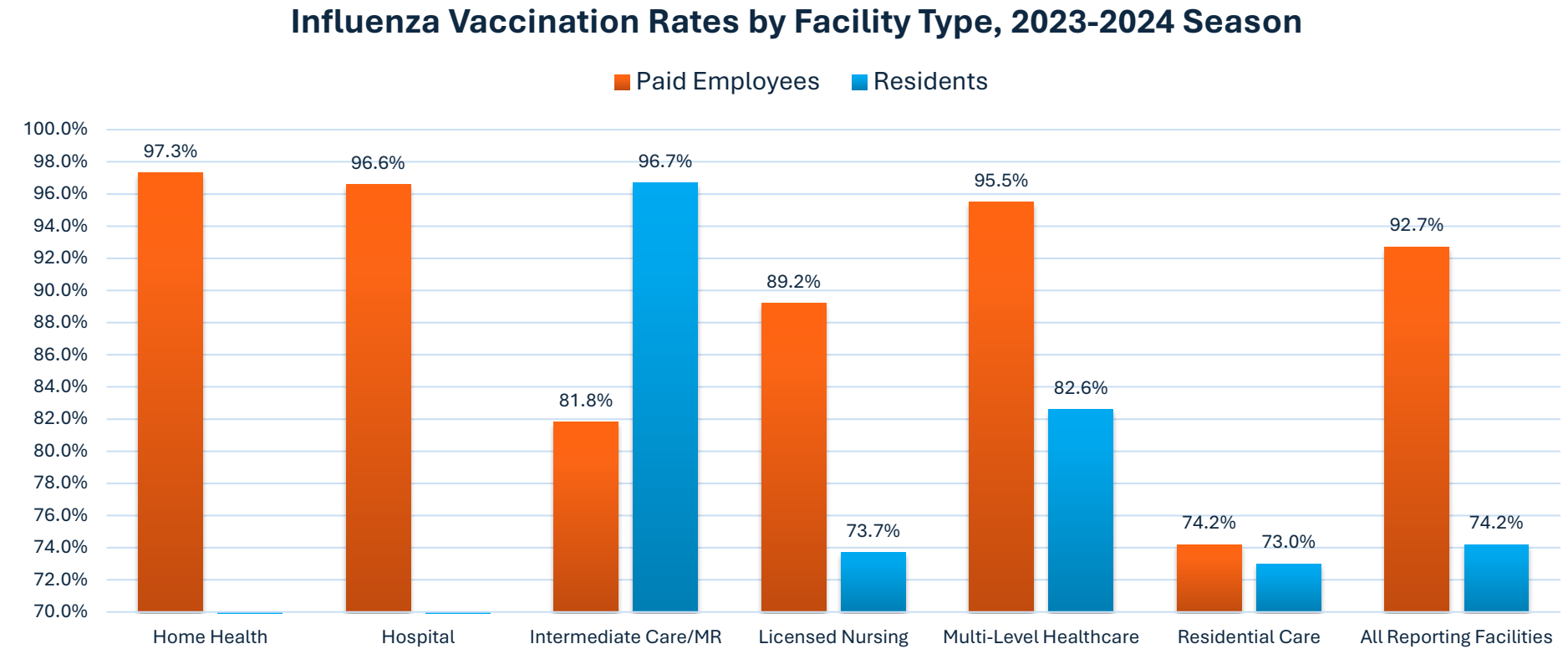


Table 2: State of Maine Hospital Influenza Vaccination Rates

Hospital	% Employees Vaccinated for Influenza
Maine Behavioral Healthcare	76.5%
Western Maine Health	81.3%
Franklin Memorial Hospital	83.0%
Waldo County Hospital	95.1%
Southern Maine Medical Center	95.4%
Maine Medical Center	95.4%
Lincoln Health Hospital	96.0%
Midcoast Hospital	96.2%
Pen Bay Healthcare	97.3%
Northern Light Sebasticook Valley Hospital	97.5%
Northern Light Eastern Maine Medical Center	98.6%
Northern Maine Medical Center	98.7%
Northern Light Mayo Hospital	98.8%
Northern Light CA Dean Hospital	98.8%
Northern Light Mercy Hospital	98.8%
Northern Light Maine Coast Hospital	98.8%
Northern Light Blue Hill Hospital	98.8%
Northern Light AR Gould Hospital	98.8%
Northern Light Acadia Hospital	98.8%
Calais Community Hospital	98.9%
Northern Light Inland Hospital	98.9%
St. Joseph Healthcare	99.1%
St. Mary's Regional Medical Center	99.2%
Cary Medical Center	99.3%
Rumford Hospital	99.3%
Central Maine Medical Center	99.3%
Penobscot Valley Hospital	99.4%
York Hospital	99.4%
Mount Desert Island Hospital	99.5%
Bridgton Hospital	99.6%
Down East Community Hospital	99.6%
Millinocket Regional Hospital	99.7%
Riverview Psychiatric Center	99.7%
Houlton Regional Hospital	99.8%
Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center	100.0%

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## Percentage of Paid Hospital Employees Vaccinated Against Influenza 2023-2024 Season, by Facility

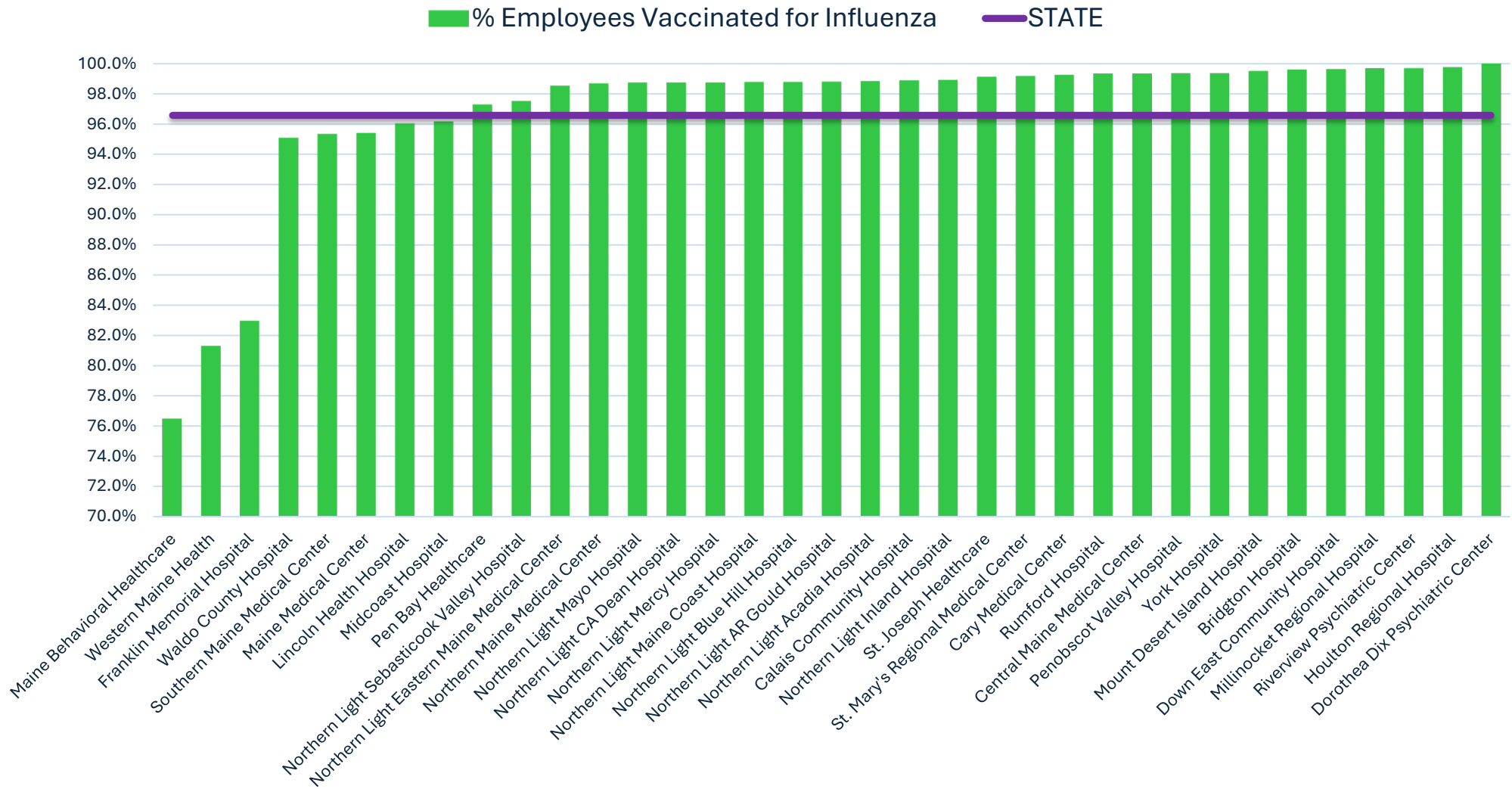


Figure 1: The bars in the graph above represent the percentage of healthcare workers who were vaccinated for the 2022-2023 seasonal influenza season. Paid employees include all people, both full and part time, who receive a direct paycheck from the reporting facility, regardless of clinical responsibility or patient contact.