



# COUNTY OF ERIE

**MARK C. POLONCARZ**

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

July 1, 2014

The Honorable  
Erie County Legislature  
92 Franklin Street – Fourth Floor  
Buffalo, New York 14202

**RE: Acceptance of Honorarium**

Honorable Members:

The Erie County Department of Health's Commissioner, Dr. Gale R. Burstein's research and advocacy has focused on health insurance and public financing of care for adolescents and young adults, consent and confidentiality protections and sexual and reproductive health care.

Due to her dedication, efforts and knowledge, Northeastern University invited her to give a presentation on behalf of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials to its members via webinar on May 30, 2014 that promoted health departments working with community primary care providers to improve delivery of confidential adolescent sexual health care as part of primary care.

Northeastern University has indicated that the Health Department is entitled to an honorarium in the amount of \$1,000.00. The purpose of this resolution is to authorize acceptance of the honorarium for the Department.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact the Health Department. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.  
Erie County Executive

MCP/lmg  
Enclosure

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature  
**From:** Health Department  
**Re:** Acceptance of Honorarium  
**Date:** July 1, 2014

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### **SUMMARY**

To authorize the acceptance of an honorarium in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Northeastern University.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The honorarium would go into the Department's general fund.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Northeastern University has indicated that the Health Department is entitled to an honorarium in the amount of \$1,000.00 for services related to sexual health care in primary care webinar held in May, 2014.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

On May 30, 2014, the Erie County Department of Health's Commissioner, Dr. Gale R. Burstein gave a presentation via webinar that promoted the health of adolescents and young adults and their access to comprehensive health care.

### **CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

We will not be able to accept the honorarium and this would have a negative impact on our Department's general fund.

### **STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL**

The Erie County Department of Health will take the appropriate steps necessary to accept the honorarium and direct it to our Department's general fund.

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

RE: Acceptance of Honorarium

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Health's Commissioner, Dr. Gale R. Burstein's research and advocacy has focused on health insurance and public financing of care for adolescents and young adults, consent and confidentiality protections and sexual and reproductive health care; and

WHEREAS, due to her dedication, efforts and knowledge, Northeastern University invited her to give a presentation via webinar that promoted the health of adolescents and young adults and their access to comprehensive health care; and

WHEREAS, Northeastern University has indicated that the Health Department is entitled to an honorarium in the amount of \$1,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health has provided the necessary W-9 to process the payment from the Northeastern University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Executive is hereby authorized to accept the honorarium from Northeastern University, to be recorder as revenue in the Department of Health, and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution will be forwarded to the County Executive, the Office of the Comptroller, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Law, and to Dr. Gale R. Burstein, Commissioner, in the Erie County Department of Health, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, Rath Building.