31st Annual Scientific Meeting  
April 9, 2010  
From Fear to Flu: Novel H1N1  
Health Care Workers, and Workplace Risks  
Hatch Auditorium - The Mount Sinai Medical Center

9:00  REGISTRATION

9:30  Jacqueline Moline, MD, MSc - Welcome and historical background.  
Mt. Sinai School of Medicine
  
Michael Gochfeld, MD, PhD - Introduction to the meeting  
UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School

9:45  John Howard, MD, MPH, JD, LLM - Keynote Address: From Fear to Flu:  
The NIOSH Perspective.  
Director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

10:30  David Michaels, PhD, MPH - The new paradigm for workplace safety as it extends to health care professionals.  
Assistant Secretary of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

11:15  Break

Director, Occupational Health and Safety, Service Employees International Union (SEIU)

12:00  Lunch

1:30  Iris Udasin, MD - Health care workers and the coughing patient: the challenges of protecting workers from unknown airborne infections.  
Professor and Director of Employee Health Service,  
UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.  
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2:15  Break

2:30  Afternoon Panel: The Role for Mandatory Vaccination of Health Care Workers: Lessons from Smallpox and H1N1

  Michael Gochfeld - Introduction to the panel

  Topics  
  Risk/benefits of immunization  
  Individual vs. Societal Rights  
  Experience with Swine Flu vaccination in 1970s  
  Experience with Smallpox vaccination in 1990s  
  Legal and ethical and epidemiologic issues for H1N1 and the next infection

  Panelists  
  Judith Arroyo, RN - Public health nurse from DC 37, Health and Safety Representative - NYSNA Economic and General Welfare.
  
  Guthrie S. Birkhead MD - Deputy Commissioner for the Office of Public Health.
  
  Beth Haroules - Senior Staff Attorney, New York Civil Liberties Union.
  
  Jonathan Rosen, MS, CIH - Director, Occupational Safety & Health Department. NYS Public Employees Federation

4:00  Concluding Remarks

4:15  Wrap Up