



1 WHEREAS, it is important to recognize as public health priorities the need to  
2 decrease the cost to our healthcare system of repeat vaccinations and the need to eliminate  
3 the risk of the wrong vaccines being administered; and

4 WHEREAS, if put to its optimal use, the LINKS software which Louisiana is paying  
5 for today can help to improve public health in our state in the very near future at no  
6 additional cost; and

7 WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Title 40 and Title 49 of the Louisiana  
8 Revised Statutes of 1950, the Louisiana Department of Health has the authority to provide  
9 for and protect public health in this state through administrative rules duly promulgated in  
10 accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

11 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
12 authorize and direct the Louisiana Department of Health to require through administrative  
13 rulemaking that all physicians, nurses, and other healthcare providers, including pharmacies,  
14 that administer immunizations to children or adults in this state shall record immunization  
15 information using the LINKS system software.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
17 secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health and to each member of the board of  
18 directors of the Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians.

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#### DIGEST

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Authorizes and directs the La. Dept. of Health to require through administrative rulemaking that all physicians, nurses, and other healthcare providers, including pharmacies, that administer immunizations to children or adults in this state shall record immunization information using the software which operates the La. Immunization Network for Kids Statewide (LINKS) system.