## CHRIST OVER COVID ANTIBODY PREVALENCE PROJECT (COCAPP) PASTOR'S AGREEMENT FORM

## CHURCH/ ORGANIZATION COMMITMENT TO PARTICIPATE

The purpose of the Christ over COVID Antibody Prevalence Project (COCAPP) is to address the impact COVID-19 has had on faith-based communities that worship in Metro Detroit, MI, Genesee, Macomb, and specific areas of Oakland and in traditionally underserved residents who live and work in these areas. These areas are among the top four counties in Michigan affected by illness and deaths from this devastating virus.

Although African Americans account for only 13-14% of Michigan's population, they have accounted for nearly 40% of the COVID 19 deaths in the State of Michigan. African Americans are rarely invited and are often under-represented in the scientific exchange of new information yet are often the consumers of therapies targeted for their use. As a part of the body of Christ, this is a unique opportunity to bring forward evidence of the short and long-term impact of COVID 19 on communities of color. More importantly it is an opportunity to support the fight against this virus that has negatively affected worshipers and minorities who reside or work in the communities hardest hit by COVID 19. African Americans and others who live or worship within Wayne (surrounding areas), Genesee, Macomb, and specific areas of Oakland Counties have disproportionately been negatively affected by the Coronavirus.

The project's expected outcomes can support the fight against COVID 19 among underserved populations and inter-faith communities. This project was designed by and is funded within the local community with oversight by an African American, Board Certified, Family Nurse Practitioner, and a community-based organization; the Wayne County Oral Health Coalition. Both have proven track records in Southeast Michigan that verify their commitment to and love for underserved and faith-based communities within the Metro Detroit and Flint areas.

## COCAPP's goals and objectives are to:

- 1. Improve access to COVID 19 PCR (virus presence screening) and antibody (Ab) testing among communities of faith within the top 4 counties affected by COVID 19 in 2020.
- 2. Reduce the risk of spreading COVID 19 among members of faith communities and their families who commune and worship together.
- 3. Seek opportunities to educate and service underserved communities using culturally appropriate and relevant health education in areas that place its members at the highest risk of contracting and having poor outcomes of COVID 19 infections.

Participation will consist of supporting the project by encouraging participation among the congregation and community and providing access to a location for COVID 19 education, screening, and other health education modules for your members. Pastor, you and your church will work cooperatively with the coordinators on the logistics of the COVID 19 screening at your church. Coordinators will be responsible for signage, tents, displays, all screening equipment and supplies, and laboratory testing. We ask the pastors and or faith leaders to dedicate the following items for the testing and community health event with delegated authority.

- 1. Provide a area inside church for the Antibody testing
- 2. Staging areas for assembling give-away bags-and/or support
- 3. Wi-Fi and or mobile hotspots for outdoor use (the team will provide hotspot if unavailable)
- 4. Encourage the congregation to participate in the testing, volunteering, and learning about enrollment in the study (if appropriate)
- 5. Provide AT LEAST (4-6) congregation volunteers to help with traffic direction and other needs for each testing time block based on the event's anticipated size.
- 6. Select time(s) to conduct site surveys to pre-plan onsite logistics
- 7. Provide a waiting area for vehicles during testing (about 5-10 cars based on the size for the event)
- 8. Available outdoor lot space for adequate flow to event stations (i.e., PCR, Ab, other avail screening)
- 9. Provide the ability to run electricity outdoors during testing
- 10. Volunteer eating area for approximately ten people
- 11. Access to the area for volunteers to consume refreshments, and use bathrooms
- 12. Notifying coordinators of congregants who are unable to attend due to disabilities. Home testing may be available for a person(s) dealing with disabilities. If available in area
- 13. Offering prayer for the project and participants

## **Instructions:**

- 1. Complete the "Pastor Information" section below.
- 2. Send completed form to <a href="mailto:vlp101@aol.com">vlp101@aol.com</a>

Pastor's/Authorized Name:
Email:
Church/Org's Name:
Address:
City, State, Zip:
1 <sup>st</sup> Choice Site Survey Date:
Preferred 4-hr Time Slots and Dates for testing: (it's possible for addition hours)

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Pastor/Authorized Officiants Data

I am accepting the responsibilities of confidentiality and committing to providing the necessary amenities for COCAPP's needs before and after each event as an active member of the project. I further agree to notify Ms. Perry or Dr. Roman if I have any questions or concerns about the project or the event. I have the right to withdraw at any time; however, I agree to notify the COCAPP team (Ms. Perry or Dr. Roman) as soon as I am aware of the need to withdraw. Although I am not required to give a reason, I understand that providing the team feedback on the experience during participation helps them to provide ongoing quality improvement in its service to God's people.

Pastor or Authorized/Delegated official's First and L	ast Name
(Print)	
Signature	
Date Signed	
Thank you,	

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"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto ME" Matthew 25:40