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RE: GCHD Receives Agho Award

The Genesee County Health Department (GCHD) received the Agho Award from the University of Michigan-Flint School of Health Professions and Studies. The Agho Award is named after Dr. Austin Agho, the founding dean of the School of Health Professions and Studies from 2001 – 2008. He is now the Provost at Old Dominion University. The School of Health Professions and Studies recognize the importance of community partners in contributing to the provision of excellent education for their students. Community partners provide a range of services to the school: clinical internships, service learning project experiences, practicum experiences, guest lectures, collaborative projects to advance health in the community, and advisory board service just to name a few. “This award is given in recognition of all that the GCHD does on a daily basis to protect the health of our community, GCHD’s extraordinary efforts during the water crisis, and GCHD’s exemplary contributions to the education of our students in the School of Health Professions and Studies at the University of Michigan-Flint,” said Donna Fry, Dean of the School of Health Professions.

“We are very grateful for this recognition. The University of Michigan-Flint is a great collaborative partner. After the initial planning and distribution of water filters at the University of Michigan-Flint, the University continued their support through further water filter distribution, and continue to support our efforts.” said Mark Valacak, GCHD, Health Officer.

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