Glossary of Terms and Definitions

1. **MDHHS:** Michigan Department of Health and Human Services - The state agency responsible for public health and human services programs in Michigan.
2. **Flint Feasibility Assessment:** The process of evaluating the practicality and viability of conducting a cancer study in the city of Flint, Michigan, considering factors such as resources, logistics, and community needs.
3. **RFP (Request for Proposals):** A formal invitation for organizations or individuals to submit proposals outlining their approach to addressing the objectives outlined in the Flint Feasibility Assessment for Cancer Study project.
4. **Cancer Study:** A comprehensive investigation into the incidence, prevalence, risk factors, and outcomes of cancer within a specific population or geographic area, in this case, the city of Flint.
5. **Feasibility:** The likelihood or practicality of successfully conducting a cancer study in Flint, considering factors such as available resources, research infrastructure, community engagement, and potential challenges.
6. **Assessment:** The systematic evaluation of various aspects related to the feasibility and potential impact of conducting a cancer study in Flint, including but not limited to, research design, data collection methods, ethical considerations, and stakeholder engagement strategies.
7. **Community Engagement:** The process of involving and collaborating with members of the Flint community, including residents, community organizations, healthcare providers, and other stakeholders, in the planning and implementation of the cancer study.
8. **Ethical Considerations:** The ethical principles and guidelines that govern the conduct of research involving human participants, including informed consent, privacy protection, beneficence, and justice, which must be adhered to throughout the feasibility assessment process.
9. **Research Infrastructure:** The facilities, resources, and support services necessary for conducting a cancer study, including laboratory facilities, data management systems, personnel, and funding sources.
10. **Data Collection Methods:** The techniques and procedures used to gather information and data relevant to the objectives of the feasibility assessment, which may include surveys, interviews, public health information review, published reports, etc.
11. **Stakeholder Engagement:** The process of involving and collaborating with individuals and organizations that have a vested interest in or may be affected by the outcomes of the feasibility assessment, including researchers, policymakers, advocacy groups, and community members.
12. **Outcomes:** The results, findings, and conclusions generated from the feasibility assessment process, which may inform future decisions regarding the implementation

of a cancer study in Flint and contribute to the broader understanding of cancer risk and prevention strategies.

13. **Collaboration:** Working together with others to achieve a common goal. For example, different groups or organizations joining forces to help with the cancer study in Flint.
14. **Stakeholder:** Someone who has an interest or is affected by a particular project, decision, or activity. Stakeholders can include individuals, groups, organizations, advocacy groups, government, etc. with varying levels of involvement or influence.
15. **Epidemiology:** Studying how diseases like cancer spread and why they happen. It helps us understand the prevalence (how common something is in a certain place or group of people) of disease and what might be causing it.
16. **Viability:** Figuring out if something, like the potential cancer study in Flint, is possible or likely to succeed. It looks at if there are enough resources and if it can be done well.
17. **Resources**: Things that are needed to do something, like the tools, money, and people needed for the feasibility assessment.
18. **Logistics:** Planning and organizing all the small details and tasks needed to make something happen, like arranging for people to take part in the feasibility assessment, collecting information, and making sure everything runs smoothly.