

CMS Vaccine Mandate – Staff Tracking Requirements

- ❖ Determine the “staff” to include on your tracking/matrix form. Reminder that staff includes employees, licensed practitioners, students, trainees, volunteers, and individuals who provide care, treatment or other services under contract or arrangement. Staff does not include those that work 100% remotely or only provide telehealth services and do not have any interaction with resident or other staff.
- ❖ All “staff” included on your tracking/matrix form must be included in the weekly NHSN HCP & Resident COVID-19 vaccination reporting. This will assist with “reasonable consistency” during comparison of NHSN reporting and tracking data by surveyors, to determine compliance.
- ❖ See also [Contractor Analysis for Vaccine Requirement](#).

ALL Staff:

- ✓ Document their role, assigned work area(s), and how they interact with residents.
- ✓ Contractors, volunteers, students, trainees and trainees should be indicated on the tracking/matrix form.
- ✓ Document if a “staff” member works 100% remotely or via telehealth and has no interaction with residents or other staff.

Fully Vaccinated:

- ✓ Type of vaccine that was received.
- ✓ Dates of administration of the vaccine.
- ✓ Include boosters or additional doses, if applicable (type and date).

Partially Vaccinated:

- ✓ Type of vaccine that was received.
- ✓ Date of administration of the dose.
- ✓ When the next dose is scheduled to be administered.

Medical or Religious Exemption:

- ✓ Type of exemption requested.
- ✓ Date of exemption request.
- ✓ Determination (pending/approved/denied).
- ✓ Additional precautions the staff must take.

Temporary Delay in Vaccination:

- ✓ Criteria met for temporary delay (acute infection secondary to active COVID-19; receipt of convalescent plasma or monoclonal antibodies within the last 90 days).
- ✓ What date vaccination may resume or is scheduled.
- ✓ Additional precautions the staff must take.

References:

CMS. QSO-22-09-ALL, Attachment A, LTC: Guidance for Interim Final Rule-Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Omnibus COVID-19 Health Care Staff Vaccination (2022, Jan. 14). [Attachment A. LTC \(cms.gov\)](#)