

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
OFFICE OF VICTIM SERVICES AND JUSTICE GRANTS



MEMORANDUM

TO: All OVSJG Grantees
FROM: Michelle M. Garcia, Director ^{mmg}
SUBJECT: COVID-19 Vaccination Certification Requirement for District Government Employees, Contractors, Interns, and Grantees
DATE: August 12, 2021

As you may be aware, on August 10, 2021, Mayor Bowser announced COVID-19 vaccination certification requirements for District employees, contractors, interns, and grantees. Per [Mayor's Order 2021-099](#):

“All District government contractors and grantees shall ensure that each of their employees, agents, and subcontractors who provide goods or perform services in person in District of Columbia facilities or worksites, or who have in-person contact with other persons in order to complete their work under the contract or grant have been either: (i) fully vaccinated against COVID-19, or (ii) granted one of the exemptions identified in Section III of this Order by the contractor or grantee, are undergoing weekly COVID-19 testing and only reporting to the workplace when such test result is negative, and are wearing masks while working.” (*Section IV.1*)

All covered individuals have until Sunday, September 19, 2021, to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Exemptions to the requirement are detailed in the order in *Section III. Exemptions*. Grantees may impose stronger vaccination requirements on their employees, agents, or subcontractors, subject to applicable federal and local laws and regulations.

Grantees are responsible for ensuring compliance with this Order by their employees, agents, and subcontractors. Each District grantee shall, at the request of the District government, provide to the District government a certification of its compliance with this requirement.

For individuals required to undergo weekly testing, the District encourages individuals to get tested through their own health care provider so that when the test results come back the patient is already connected to the health care they need. If an individual needs a COVID-19 test and they do not have a provider, there are a number of [options](#) to obtain a test, including at community-based sites, home testing, and walk-up testing sites. [Self-test kits](#) are also available at 16 libraries located around the city.

If, as a result of the Order, you require modifications to work plans, timelines, budgets or deliverables, please contact your grant manager to discuss prior to making any modifications. If you have any questions regarding the Order, please contact your grant manager.

If further information or guidance is made available, we will distribute it expeditiously.

Additional information is available from the [Mayor's Situational Update](#) from August 10th.