

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA SUMMER PROGRAMS

Guidance on Participant COVID-19 Vaccination

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This memorandum has been prepared by Penn Wellness and the Office of the General Counsel and Office of Risk Management, and it summarizes institutional policy regarding COVID-19 vaccination and summer program participants.

For residential programs:

1. COVID-19 vaccination (J&J vaccination, a full series of an FDA approved mRNA vaccination, or a vaccine by the WHO) is required. Additional information regarding approved vaccines can be found [here](#).
2. Programs may verify compliance with the above requirement by (i) visual review of a vaccination card showing completion of vaccination presented by the program participant or parent/guardian, or (ii) requiring completion of an attestation included within program materials. The following is an acceptable form of attestation, which may be included in a program application or registration form or in a separate document:

The undersigned program participant or parent/guardian of the program participant _____ [insert name of participant] hereby attests that the participant has completed COVID-19 vaccination (one- or two-dose series).

3. Programs receiving requests for exemption for medical and/or religious reasons should ask the requesting individual to complete one of the forms available here: [Immunization Exemptions – Student Health Service \(upenn.edu\)](#) The completed form should be e-mailed to vpul-immun@pobox.upenn.edu.
4. Programs should not store individualized documentation of vaccination (either vaccination cards or exemption requests and related documentation), although retention of attestations in program files is permissible.

For non-residential indoor or indoor/outdoor programs:

1. COVID-19 vaccination (J&J vaccination, a full series of an FDA approved mRNA vaccination, or a vaccine by the WHO) is required. Additional information regarding approved vaccines can be found [here](#).
2. Programs electing to require COVID-19 vaccination may verify compliance with the above requirement by (i) visual review of a vaccination card showing completion of vaccination presented by the program participant or parent/guardian, or (ii) requiring completion of an attestation included within program materials. The following is an acceptable form of attestation, which may be included in a program application or registration form or in a separate document:

The undersigned program participant or parent/guardian of the program participant _____ [insert name of participant] hereby

attests that the participant has completed COVID-19 vaccination (one- or two-dose series).

3. Programs requiring COVID-19 vaccination should permit exemption requests; requests for exemption for medical and/or religious reasons should be accompanied by a completed form available here: [Immunization Exemptions – Student Health Service \(upenn.edu\)](#) The program should send a copy of the completed form to vpul-immun@pobox.upenn.edu.
4. Programs should not store individualized documentation of vaccination (either vaccination cards or exemption requests and related documentation), although retention of attestations in program files is permissible.

For non-residential outdoor programs:

1. COVID-19 vaccination (J&J vaccination, or full series or mRNA vaccination) is not required.
2. Programs electing to require COVID-19 vaccination may verify compliance with the above requirement by (i) visual review of a vaccination card showing completion of vaccination presented by the program participant or parent/guardian, or (ii) requiring completion of an attestation included within program materials. The following is an acceptable form of attestation, which may be included in a program application or registration form or in a separate document:

The undersigned program participant or parent/guardian of the program participant _____ [insert name of participant] hereby attests that the participant has completed COVID-19 vaccination (one- or two-dose series).

3. Programs receiving requests for exemption for medical and/or religious reasons may grant such requests, or may ask the requesting individual to complete one of the forms available here: [Immunization Exemptions – Student Health Service \(upenn.edu\)](#) The completed form should be e-mailed to vpul-immun@pobox.upenn.edu.
4. Programs should not store individualized documentation of vaccination (either vaccination cards or exemption requests and related documentation), although retention of attestations in program files is permissible.