

National Alliance to End Homelessness
MANDATORY COVID-19 VACCINATION POLICY FOR
Innovations and Solutions for Ending Unsheltered Homelessness

Purpose

In response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the National Alliance to End Homelessness (“the Alliance”) has adopted the following policy (“Policy”) to safeguard the health and wellbeing of individuals attending the Innovations and Solutions for Ending Unsheltered Homelessness conference (“Event”), and the communities in which the Event is held, from infectious conditions that may be mitigated through an effective COVID-19 vaccination program. This Policy is intended to comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws and is based upon guidance provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) and public health authorities, as applicable.

Scope

As a condition of attendance at the Innovations and Solutions for Ending Unsheltered Homelessness conference (March 1-3, 2023), individuals must be up to date with all vaccinations against COVID-19 by the first date of the conference. For purposes of this policy, **an individual is considered up to date** with their COVID-19 vaccination **if they have received all recommended doses in the primary series and one booster** when eligible. Getting a second booster is *not* currently required. Vaccination records must be uploaded to Crowdpass, the Alliance’s platform for COVID-19 clearance.

Medical & Religious Exemption Requests

To gain entry to the conference, individuals who are requesting a medical or religious exemption from the COVID-19 vaccination must submit:

- 1) Proper documentation as detailed below, *and*
- 2) Proof of negative COVID-19 PCR or antigen test results. Test results must include the individual’s name and date of test from a reputable clinic or professional medical office. Rapid at-home tests are *not* acceptable for entry.

Please review the following for further details on these requirements, and to see if you qualify for an exemption.

1) Document Requirements for Exemption Approval

Approved Medical Circumstance: History of previous allergic reaction to indicate an immediate hypersensitivity reaction to a component of the vaccine; health condition or medical circumstances such that immunization is not considered safe; or any other health condition or medical circumstance where receiving the COVID-19 vaccine is contraindicated.

- o **Document for Exemption:** A letter from your medical provider explaining the medical reasoning prohibiting your receipt of the COVID-19 immunization.

Approved Sincerely-Held Religious Belief: Religious belief and/or practice which is (a) sincerely held; and (b) which prohibits receiving immunizations.

- **Document Requirement:** A letter from your religious leader (priest, preacher, rabbi, imam, etc.) explaining the religious teachings prohibiting receipt of the COVID-19 immunization.
- 2) Negative COVID-19 Test Requirements
- In addition to the documentation above, individuals must provide proof of negative COVID-19 PCR or antigen test results to gain entry. Date of the test must be **no earlier than Monday, February 27th, 2023**, or within two days (48 hours) prior to the start of the Event. Individuals will be responsible for the cost of such testing. The test results must include the individual's name and date of test from a reputable clinic or professional medical office. Rapid at-home tests are *not* acceptable for entry.
 - Test results must be uploaded to Crowdpass, the Alliance's platform for COVID-19 clearance.

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Individuals seeking to attend the Event must agree to an ASSUMPTION OF THE RISK AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY FOR and adhere to all safety and health protocols issued by the Alliance or any federal, state, or local authorities in place at the time of the Event.

When requested by the Alliance, individuals seeking to attend the Event will be required to submit documentation per the Scope outlined above. The Alliance reserves the right to request additional documentation if deemed necessary.

Consequences of Non-Compliance

Individuals who do not comply with this Policy will be denied participation in the Event and may be removed from the Event without refund of any registration fees.

Right To Change or Terminate This Policy

The Alliance may change, suspend, or revoke all or part of this Policy at any time, at its sole discretion, upon notice to Event attendees.