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Subject: Staff Vaccination Verification
Attachments: CertificationVaccinationPRAv7.pdf

To all SWCD's,

Please see the message below regarding an update to USDA COVID Safety Protocols. There have been questions on whether this applies to partners across the board. The answer is that all partners including district employees and DNR employees are included and required to comply. In addition there is a change in quarantine policy in FPAC beginning immediately and for the foreseeable future. All employees and partners with first order exposure will quarantine for 10 days regardless of Vaccination status. **Please complete the attached worksheet by August 31st and have it with you when in a federal facility. You do not need to send the form in at this time.** If you have questions please contact your district coordinator.

Dear Partner Employees,

USDA is establishing specific safety protocols for fully vaccinated individuals and not fully vaccinated individuals. **To determine the safety protocols for each partner employee working in a USDA facility, please complete the Certification of Vaccination form, which is attached no later than August 31, 2021.**

Partners who do not attest that they are fully vaccinated or decline to complete the form will be treated as unvaccinated and are required to wear a mask, physically distance, comply with a weekly or twice-weekly screening test requirement if they work onsite. These protocols are in line with the [revised model safety principles](#) from the Safer Federal Workforce Task Force. Partners may complete a new Certification of Vaccination form should their vaccination status change.

Only persons with a need to know will have access to a partners completed Certification of Vaccination form. This form will be held in accordance with all applicable laws, including the Privacy Act.

The form will only take a minute to fill out and should be completed no later than August 31, 2021. Once the form is completed please have it available anytime working in a federal facility.

Your health and safety are our number one priority and we appreciate your attention to this important matter.