



Aug. 9, 2021

Dear Cook Children's Colleague,

The safety of everyone who enters a Cook Children's location remains our top priority as we continue to respond to COVID-19.

With the recent surge in COVID-19 cases, due to the delta variant, [Cook Children's will begin requiring a mandatory COVID-19 vaccine for every employee, physician, provider, student, volunteer, and on-site contractors and vendors.](#)

ACTION:

- **ALL contractors or vendors who enter one of our locations must be fully vaccinated by Sept. 27, 2021 at noon if they are at one or more Cook Children's location for more than 15 minutes.**
- **Vendors and contractors are asked to track all of their vaccinated employees and update their records in the SYMPLR system when applicable. Anyone that does not comply with this policy will not be permitted entrance to any Cook Children's location.**

What does it mean to be fully vaccinated?

By noon on Sept. 27, 2021, please be sure you have received one of the following in order to be fully vaccinated by the deadline:

- Pfizer vaccine (two doses),
- Moderna vaccine (two doses), OR
- Johnson & Johnson vaccine (single dose).

Specifics and special exceptions:

- State or city service employees, for example, do NOT need to be fully vaccinated to visit Cook Children's.
- Deliveries, drop-offs, couriers, and food delivery services that do not meet the above criteria are other examples of individuals who do NOT need to be fully vaccinated to visit Cook Children's.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact the Cook Children's representative you work with on a regular basis.

Thank you for your participation and for helping us keep our patients, their families and our community safe.

NOTE: To ensure compliance with the new OSHA Emergency Temporary Standard, Cook Children's is required to provide our COVID-19 plan with all vendors/contractors who have personnel on site at any Cook Children's location:
<https://cookchildrens.org/about/Pages/contractor-vendor.aspx>

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