



REQUEST FOR A MEDICAL EXCEPTION TO THE COVID-19 VACCINATION REQUIREMENT

Government-wide policy requires all Federal employees, as defined in 5 U.S.C. § 2105, to be vaccinated against COVID-19, with exceptions only as required by law. Employees may seek a legal exception to the vaccination requirement due to a disability, using the form below. The agency may also ask for other information, as needed. Requests for “medical accommodation” or “medical exceptions” will be treated as requests for a disability accommodation and evaluated and decided under applicable Rehabilitation Act standards for reasonable accommodation absent undue hardship to the agency. An employee may also request a delay for complying with the vaccination requirement based on certain medical considerations that may not justify an exception under the Rehabilitation Act. Safer Federal Workforce Task Force guidance on medical considerations that may warrant a delay is available [here](#). The agency will be required to keep confidential any medical information provided, subject to the applicable Rehabilitation Act standards. Employees who receive an exception or a delay from the vaccination requirement would instead comply with alternative health and safety protocols.

Signing this form constitutes a declaration that the information you provide is true and correct to the best of your knowledge and ability. Any intentional misrepresentation to Helping Restore Ability (HRA) may result in legal consequences, up to and including termination.

To request a medical exception or delay from the COVID-19 vaccination requirement using this form:

1. You must complete Part 1 of this form.
2. Your medical provider must complete Part 2 of this form.
3. When both are completed, you must submit the form to your agency’s designated point of contact.

Per HRA HIPAA Files Policy:

A confidential HIPAA file for each employee is maintained in the Human Resources department.

Documents contained in the HIPAA file may include, but are not limited to:

- Benefit enrollment forms
- Drug free workplace Drug and/or Alcohol Testing Consent form
- Drug free workplace Instant Drug Screen Result
- Doctors’ Releases to Return to Duty
- FMLA leave

These files are available only to Human Resources representatives, the employee, and persons the employee has given written authorization to share their HIPAA information with.

Part 1 – To Be Completed by the Employee

Employee Name	Date of Request
Department	Supervisor

Medical or Disability Exception Request

I am requesting a medical exception to the requirement for COVID-19 vaccination or a delay because of a temporary condition or medical circumstance. I declare that the information I have provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Employee Signature

Print Name

Date

Part 2 – To be Completed by the Employee's Medical Provider

Employee Name

Medical Certification for COVID-19 Vaccine Exception

Dear Medical Provider:

Helping Restore Ability (HRA) requires its employees to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 pursuant to Executive Order of the President of the United States. The individual named above is seeking a medical exception to the requirement for COVID-19 vaccination or a delay because of a temporary condition or medical circumstance. Please complete this form to assist HRA in its reasonable accommodation process. If you have questions about completing this form, please contact HRA's reasonable accommodation coordinator at ahicks@hratexas.org or 817-469-1977.

Please provide at least the following information, where applicable:

1. The applicable contraindication or precaution for COVID-19 vaccination, and for each contraindication or precaution, indicate: (a) whether it is recognized by the CDC pursuant to its guidance; and (b) whether it is listed in the package insert or Emergency Use Authorization fact sheet for each of the COVID-19 vaccines authorized or approved for use in the United States;
2. A statement that the individual's condition and medical circumstances relating to the individual are such that COVID-19 vaccination is not considered safe, indicating the specific nature of the medical condition or circumstances that contraindicate immunization with a COVID-19 vaccine or might increase the risk for a serious adverse reaction; and
3. Any other medical condition that would limit the employee from receiving any COVID-19 vaccine.

Description of the medical condition for which the employee listed above should be excepted from complying with a COVID-19 vaccination requirement:

The condition described above is:

temporary

long-term

If this is a temporary condition or medical circumstance, when it is expected to end or expire (allowing for COVID-19 vaccination to begin after the date you provided):

Medical Provider Name/Title

Medical Provider Signature

Date