

## TRAINING UPDATE

**Lab Location:** GEC, SGMC & WOMC  
**Department:** All staff

**Date Distributed:** 8/19/2021  
**Due Date:** 9/1/21

### COVID Vaccination Update

#### Description:

The state of Maryland has mandated that hospital environments are **requiring COVID vaccinations by September 1, 2021** [first dose or single dose (*J&J*)]

Note: this overrides the original AHC due date of Oct 1.

Quest Diagnostics is requiring all staff to upload a copy of their vaccination record via the Self-Service system.

- See attachment for instructions
- Your supervisor can assist you if necessary

[Read the attachment and take the MTS quiz](#)

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East Region Colleagues,

Thank you for your ongoing dedication to our patients and one another. Your commitment to your communities during the pandemic has been nothing short of heroic, and we are hopeful continued safety practices combined with vaccination will get us to the other side.

Some state and local governments, as well as many of our hospital and physician clients, are requiring COVID-19 vaccination, and in some cases, are allowing regular testing in place of vaccination. Quest is updating our processes to support compliance with these requirements for impacted employees.

All employees in a PSC, IOP and hospital environments in the following states will require a full vaccination:

- **Maryland** (first dose or single dose (J&J) by September 1, 2021)
- **New Jersey** (full vaccination by September 7, 2021)

**We will communicate as the situation clarifies in other states.**

In addition to the above, many of our hospital/physician clients may require vaccination ahead of state regulation. This situation is evolving - please speak with your manager for more information.

### **What you need to do**

If you are required to be fully vaccinated based on the above guidelines, you will be notified by your manager and must provide proof of vaccination in Self Service to continue to work in your current role\*.

**Please log in to our secure Self Service system (at [QuestVaccineReport.com](https://questvaccine.com)) to provide proof of vaccination as soon as possible, if you have not already done so. You must fill out basic information and upload an image of your vaccine card showing you have received all required doses of the vaccine series.**

*\*Where allowable by state regulations, regular COVID-19 testing may be allowed as an alternative until fully vaccinated. In those cases, Quest will work with impacted employees to ensure regular testing is offered.*

Where regular testing is not an allowable alternative, you can no longer work in a patient-facing facility (PSC, IOP, hospital).

### **How to provide proof of vaccination (use Microsoft Edge or Google Chrome)**

- Go to [QuestVaccineReport.com](https://questvaccine.com)
- Click the "+Add" button in the top-right corner.
- In the "Document Type" menu, select "COVID-19 Vaccination."
- Fill in the date of the first and second dose.
- Attach an image (e.g., cell phone photo) of your vaccination card in the designated box.
- Click "Submit."
- If you previously attested but did not upload your card, please open your existing vaccine record and click the upload button to add your card image.

For more, view the [Vaccine FAQs](#) and the [COVID-19 Employee Policy](#). You may apply for a valid medical or religious [exemption](#) using this link.

### **For People Leaders:**




If you hear about a client that is requiring vaccination, please utilize the MS Forms link here to report: <https://forms.office.com/r/QAEz5a0xjw>

As you know, clients and hospitals are changing their requirements every day to battle COVID-19 and the recent Delta variant. This link allows us to obtain the relevant information for any new client vaccination requirements and prepare.

You and your employees may hear first – please contact your HRBP immediately of any changes you hear of and understand the information required in the form.



If you are a people leader faced with questions, Quest has put together a  [People Leader](#) Talking Points document you can consult.

**If you have additional questions, please contact your HRBP for more information to address employee concerns.**