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### **NF-21-063 – Provider Alert**

Date: October 18, 2021

To: All Nursing Facility Providers  
All Community Based Care Providers

From: Aging and People with Disabilities  
ODHS Safety, Oversight and Quality Unit (SOQ)

Subject: **Vaccine Mandate 10/18/2021 and Reporting Staffing Concerns**

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Effective October 18, 2021, all long-term care facility staff must be fully vaccinated or have submitted a qualified exception form to their employer.

According to the [OHA Vaccination Rule](#), fully vaccinated means having received both doses of a two-dose COVID-19 vaccine or one dose of a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine and at least 14 days have passed since staff received the final dose of COVID-19 vaccine.

Nursing Facility providers are expected to meet minimum staffing ratio requirements as defined in [Temporary OAR 411-086-0100](#) to ensure resident safety. If your facility is experiencing a staffing crisis that is putting residents' safety at risk, please contact your licensing team immediately:

Community Based Care Providers: [CBC.team@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto:CBC.team@dhsosha.state.or.us).

Nursing Facility Providers: [NF.licensing@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto:NF.licensing@dhsosha.state.or.us)

Additional resources to support facilities such as [Nurse Crisis Teams](#), [retention bonuses for staff](#), [Enhanced Wage Program](#) and [vaccination access technical assistance](#) are posted on the [APD Provider Alert](#) webpage. These tools are in place to support facilities to maintain resident safety.

General questions may be sent to: [SOQ.LTCInfo@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto:SOQ.LTCInfo@dhsosha.state.or.us)

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