


January 12, 2022

TO: Nettie La Belle-Hamer, Interim Vice Chancellor for Research
FROM: Daniel M. White, Chancellor 
RE: Vaccination Requirement Request Approval - Toolik Field Station (Second Revision)

The University of Alaska System policy states that vaccination requirements may only be made by exception and must be approved by the President at the request of the Chancellor.

I have received your request for an amendment to the vaccination requirement to add a COVID-19 booster shot to the current requirements. The request applies to the following:

ALL USERS OF TOOLIK FIELD STATION

Based on your request and President Pitney's approval, I am herewith authorizing a vaccination requirement for Toolik Field Station to be defined as fully vaccinated plus a booster (with medical and non-medical-religious exemptions).

Please see the procedures laid out in the September 17, 2021 memo from Chief Human Resources Officer Bishko titled "Guidelines for Supervisors Regarding COVID-19 Vaccinations and Face Coverings" (<https://sites.google.com/alaska.edu/coronavirus/general-info/updates>). The memo has links to exemption forms for employees. Student exemptions are issued by the Center for Student Rights and Responsibilities (non-medical), or the Student Health and Counseling Center (medical). The memo can be found at: <https://sites.google.com/alaska.edu/coronavirus/general-info/updates>

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