

Vaccine Mandate Part I

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The Second Circuit Court of Appeals has vacated its preliminary injunction enjoining the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) from enforcing the vaccine mandate regulation with respect to religious exemptions. The Court also vacated a lower court's temporary restraining order having the same effect.

Going forward, NYSDOH will no longer be barred from bringing enforcement actions against Covered Entities that grant religious exemptions to COVID-19 vaccination requirements. Pursuant to the applicable regulations, Covered Entities may only grant exemptions to personnel for whom the COVID-19 vaccine is detrimental to the individual's health (medical exemption).

The full text of the regulations is [available here](#).

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