

#### UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Office of Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity

## **Employee Name:**

# REQUEST FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION – COVID-19 VACCINE SUPPLEMENTAL MEDICAL PROVIDER STATEMENT (to be completed by Medical Provider)

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) requires its employees to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 pursuant to Executive Order 14043. The employee named above is seeking a medical exception to the requirement for COVID-19 vaccination or a delay because of a medical condition or circumstance. Please complete this form to assist the USPTO in its reasonable accommodation process. If you have questions about completing this form, please contact the USPTO's Reasonable Accommodation Coordinator at 571-272-8292 or oeeod@uspto.gov.

Be sure to sign the form and include your office address and telephone number.
The completed form and any attachments should be returned to the employee.
The employee will email them (encrypted) to the assigned Reasonable
Accommodation Specialist.

## \*Please note the following:

The Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008 (GINA) prohibits employers and other entities covered by GINA Title II from requesting or requiring genetic information of an individual or family member of the individual, except as specifically allowed by this law. "Genetic information," as defined by GINA, includes an individual's family medical history, the results of an individual's or family member's genetic tests, the fact that an individual or an individual's family member sought or received genetic services, and genetic information of a fetus carried by an individual or an individual's family member or an embryo lawfully held by an individual or family member receiving assistive reproductive services.

To comply with this law, the Agency requests that you <u>do not provide any genetic</u> <u>information</u> when responding to this request for medical information.

A. Describe the medical condition for which the employee named above should be excepted from complying with the COVID-19 vaccination requirement.
B. Identify the specific contraindication(s) or precaution(s) for COVID-19 vaccination that are applicable to the employee. For each contraindication or precaution, indicate: (a) whether it is recognized by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (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. The list of currently approved and authorized vaccines is available at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/different-vaccines.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/different-vaccines.html</a> .
C. If the employee's condition is such that COVID-19 vaccination is not considered safe, indicate the specific nature of the condition that contraindicates immunization with a COVID-19 vaccine or that might increase the risk for a serious adverse reaction.
D. Describe any other medical condition that would limit the employee from receiving any COVID-19 vaccine.

2. The condition described above is:			
☐ temporary ☐ permanent			
If this is a temporary condition, when it is expected to end or expire (allowing for			
COVID-19 vaccination to begin after the date you provide):			
I certify that all the statements made on this Supplemental Medical Provider's			
Statement are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.			
Medical Provider's Signature:		Date:	
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Medical Provider's Name (Type or Print Legibly):		Office Telephone Number:	
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Office Address:	City/State/ZIP Code:		

### PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

The Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552a), requires that you be given certain information about this form. The authority for this Request for a Reasonable Accommodation to the COVID-19 Vaccination Requirement is derived from Executive Order 14043, Requiring Coronavirus Disease 2019 Vaccination for Federal Employees (Sept. 9, 2021), and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq. The information in this system is used to decide on requests for accommodation, any subsequent complaints of alleged discrimination, and possibly to evaluate the effectiveness of the EEO program. The collection of this information is authorized by the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-16, as amended. The Agency will maintain a record of all accommodation requests, including this form, which will be utilized to determine the efficacy and consistency of the reasonable accommodation process. As a routine use, this information may be disclosed to an appropriate government agency, domestic or foreign, for law enforcement purposes; where pertinent, in a legal proceeding to which the Agency is a party or has an interest; to a government agency in order to obtain information relevant to an Agency decision concerning employment, security clearances, contracts, licenses, grants, permits or other benefits; to a government agency upon its request when relevant to its decision concerning employment, security clearances, security or suitability investigations, contracts, licenses, grants or other benefits; to a congressional office at your request, to an expert, consultant or other person under contract with the Agency to fulfill an agency function; to the National Archives and Records Administration for records management activities; to the Office of Management and Budget for review of private relief legislation; to an independent certified public accountant during an official audit of Agency finances; to an investigator, administrative judge or complaints examiner appointed by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for investigation of a formal EEO complaint under 29 CFR Part 1614; to the Merit Systems Protection Board or Office of Special Counsel for proceedings or investigations involving personnel practices and other matters within their jurisdiction; and to a labor organization as required by the Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute. The applicable System of Records Notices for this information are: COMMERCE/DEPT-18, Employees Personnel Files Not Covered by Notices of Other Agencies, Except as Prohibited by Law (72 FR 6200 / February 9, 2007 / available at: https://www.osec.doc.gov/opog/PrivacyAct/SORNs/DEPT-18.html) and EEOC/GOV-1, Equal Employment Opportunity in the Federal Government Compliant and Appeal Records (67 FR 49354 / July 30, 2002 / available at: https://www.osec.doc.gov/opog/PrivacyAct/sorns/GOV-Wide/EEOC-GOV1-18895.pdf). Completion of this form is voluntary; however, an accommodation may be denied to a qualified individual without this written information.

USPTO Privacy Policy: <a href="https://www.uspto.gov/privacy-policy">https://www.uspto.gov/privacy-policy</a>

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