



## **Requests for Exemptions from COVID-19 Vaccinations Due to Medical Necessity & Sincerely Held Religious Beliefs**

Taft College allows for exemptions to COVID-19 vaccination requirements based on a medical condition for certain groups of students from the following vaccines: *Moderna*, *Pfizer*, and *Johnson & Johnson*. The college also allows exemption based on sincerely held religious beliefs of students. Requests for exemptions other than medical necessity or sincerely held religious beliefs will be denied and are not eligible for appeal.

Exemption requests must be documented and submitted to the Dorm Supervisor at the time of application to reside in the dorms.

**ALL EXEMPTION REQUESTS MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:**

### **Medical Exemption:**

- 1) The specific COVID-19 vaccine for which the exemption is requested.
- 2) A written statement signed by a licensed, treating medical provider (MD, DO, NP, PA), nurse practitioner (NP), or physician's assistant (PA). The signed statement must include the practice location address, telephone number, signing provider's license number, and state or country (if outside the U.S.) where the licensed medical provider practices.

### **Sincerely Held Religious Beliefs**

- 1) A written statement by a pastor, priest, or church minister supporting request for COVID-19 vaccination due to religious beliefs. The signed statement must include the name of the congregation, church location and address, and telephone number.

Requests for medical exemption and/or religious beliefs will be reviewed by the Office of Vice President of Student Services. If the information supplied is ambiguous or insufficient, attempts will be made to contact the clinician and/or church minister who submitted documentation to clarify the exemption request documentation. If insufficient clarification or information is provided, the exemption request may be denied. The District reserves the right to maintain safety and wellness in the dorms.