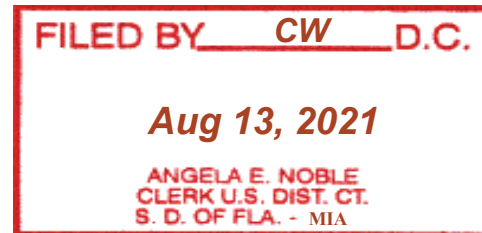


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2021-70

IN RE:

VACCINATION POLICY ADDRESSING
EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED
BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC



In response to the continuing outbreak of COVID-19 and the alarming rise of infection rates in Florida, particularly in the Southern District of Florida and among the unvaccinated, more aggressive safety measures are necessary to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 within our courthouses. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other health authorities continue to recommend vaccination to maximize protection against COVID-19 and its genetic variants, and to minimize the spread of the virus. Regrettably, vaccination rates remain below expectations. To protect the health and safety of all those entering and working within the District’s courthouses and affiliated offices, it is hereby

ORDERED that effective **September 7, 2021**, all employees and on-site contractors of the U.S. District and Bankruptcy Courts, and the U. S. Probation Office for the Southern District of Florida (with certain exemptions) are required to: (1) provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination in accordance with CDC guidelines; or (2) submit proof of COVID-19 PCR test results, whether positive or negative, twice weekly. The Southern District of Florida’s “Policy for Employee COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing”, issued separately, is incorporated by reference, as are Administrative Orders 2021-65, 2021-50, 2021-33, 2021-12, 2020-76, 2020-53, 2020-41, 2020-33, 2020-24, 2020-21 and 2020-18.

This Order shall remain in effect until further order of the Court.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami, Florida, this 13th day of August, 2021.



CECILIA M. ALTONAGA
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

- c: The Honorable William H. Pryor, Jr., Chief Judge, Eleventh Circuit
All Southern District of Florida District Judges, Bankruptcy Judges and Magistrate Judges
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