



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
NINETEENTH AIR FORCE
JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH

31 August 2021

MEMORANDUM FOR 19 AF WING COMMANDERS

FROM: 19 AF/CC

SUBJECT: COVID-19 Vaccination Status and Formal Training

Reference: SECDEF Memorandum, *Mandatory Coronavirus Disease 2019 Vaccination of Department of Defense Service Members*, 24 Aug 21

1. In accordance with reference guidance, members of the Armed Forces under DoD authority on active duty or in the Ready Reserve, including the National Guard, are required to receive full vaccination against COVID-19.
2. Because of the ongoing health concerns among the force, including a steep spike in COVID-19 cases due to the rapid spread of the Delta variant, I have decided to implement additional COVID mitigation efforts to ensure the health and safety of all of our personnel and the efficiency of continuing training within 19 AF.
3. The COVID-19 vaccines have proven to be safe and very effective in preventing hospitalizations and deaths for our service members. Therefore, service members who are enrolled in 19 AF formal training courses and refuse to receive full vaccination while seeking exemption from DoD policy should be placed in an Administrative Hold status pending adjudication of the request for exemption. Follow the "Administrative Hold: Other" placement and notification procedures established in AETCI 36-2605, Volume 1, *Formal Flying Training Administration and Management*, and the AETCI 36-2605 volumes applicable to the management of students in your formal training programs.
4. Please direct any questions regarding this policy to Col Randy Oakland, 19 AF Director of Operations, at DSN 487-4341.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Craig D. Willis", is positioned above the typed name.

CRAIG D. WILLIS
Major General, USAF
Commander