## HEALTH SERVICE BOARD CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO RESOLUTION NO. 21-1

## DRAFT 8/12/2021

## COVID-19 VACCINE RESOLUTION URGING ELIGIBLE SAN FRANCISCO HEALTH SERVICE SYSTEM MEMBERS TO RECEIVE OR COMPLETE COVID VACCINE

WHEREAS, the City and County of San Francisco ("City") declared a state of local health emergency on March 6, 2020, under Section 101080 to respond to the COVID-19 crises; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Drug Administration issued emergency use authorization for the first COVID-19 vaccine on December 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Public Health order of August 5, 2021, and the San Francisco Health Orders of July 20 and August 2, 2021, that mandates COVID-19 vaccination for those entering in High-Risk Settings by September 15, 2021, for permanently stationed or regularly assigned; and by October 13, 2021, for those entering on an intermittent or occasional basis; and

WHEREAS, as of August 2021, seventy percent (70%) of San Franciscans were vaccinated; and

WHEREAS, numerous new variants of COVID-19 have emerged, including the highly transmissible Delta variant which is now the dominant cause of COVID-19 infections, hospitalization, and deaths related to the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, the City has required all City employees to declare their COVID 19 vaccine status by July 29<sup>th</sup> and granted an extension through August 12, 2021; and

WHEREAS, as of August 4, 2021, sixty-eight percent (68%) of City employees declared they are fully vaccinated; and

WHEREAS, the other employers for whom the San Francisco Health Service System ("SFHSS") provides health benefits: San Francisco Unified School District, City College of San Francisco, and the Superior Court of S San Francisco have not mandated vaccine status reporting; and

WHEREAS, medical coverage under SFHSS health plans authorizes free vaccination, and provides coverage for testing, and treatment for COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, SFHSS members who are not fully vaccinated represent a higher risk for succumbing to the COVID-19 virus and needing life-saving treatments, or resulting in loss of life, and thus increased costs to the SFHSS; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Health Service Board urges ALL ELIGIBLE SFHSS MEMBERS – those employed by the City, San Francisco Unified School District, San Francisco Superior Court, and the City College of San Francisco, and their eligible retirees and their dependents, to receive or complete the vaccine; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Health Service Board urges the SFHSS health plans, in alignment with their providers, to conduct direct outreach, proactive and ongoing messaging to ALL ELIGIBLE SFHSS MEMBERS, and their designated dependents, urging them to receive or complete the vaccine, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SFHSS Health Plans, in alignment with their providers provide to SFHSS ongoing reporting regarding SFHSS member vaccination rates, COVID-19 hospitalizations, and deaths.