

COVID-19 Vaccine: FAQs for Healthcare Travelers

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Medical Solutions, PPR, and Aureus Medical are committed to supporting our amazing travel healthcare professionals as we all continue to navigate this pandemic and the uncertainty that comes with it. Due to the fluid nature of this situation, we won't always have all the answers, but we'll work to keep you informed as new details emerge. We plan to update this FAQ on a regular basis, so check back regularly.

In the meantime, here are a few common questions we've gotten recently and some answers we *can* provide now.

Q: Will Medical Solutions, PPR, and/or Aureus Medical provide vaccinations for healthcare travelers?

A: No. We are not a healthcare provider and do not expect to receive the vaccine. Instead, the healthcare facilities that you serve have the capabilities to safe store and administer the vaccine to our frontline clinical professionals and report to the state and national databases. We will provide you updates about the distribution process as we learn more.

Q: Will Medical Solutions, PPR, and Aureus Medical pay for healthcare travelers to get a COVID-19 vaccine?

A: Early information indicates that the COVID-19 vaccine should be cost-free to every American. Regardless, we will handle this just as we do with our travelers' flu vaccine costs. If you're an active Medical Solutions, PPR, or Aureus Medical traveler and you're charged a fee for administration of the COVID-19 vaccine, we'll reimburse you for that cost. Please keep your receipt and proof of vaccination in order to be properly reimbursed!

Q: Can the vaccine give me COVID-19?

A: No. None of the COVID-19 vaccines currently authorized for use or in development in the United States use the live virus that causes COVID-19. However, it typically takes a few weeks for the body to build immunity after vaccination.

Q: Will Medical Solutions, PPR, and Aureus Medical healthcare travelers be required to receive a COVID-19?

A: No. While there may be clients who seek to require our travelers to be vaccinated, Medical Solutions, PPR, and Aureus Medical will not require our travelers to get a COVID-19 vaccine as a condition of employment with us. That said, the CDC strongly recommends that clinical professionals get vaccinated but at this time it is not mandated.

Q: What happens if I don't want to get the COVID-19 vaccine, but my facility requires it? Will I be terminated or sent through a review process?

A: So far, none of the facilities we serve have told us that they will require our travelers to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, and we won't require it on our end. However, if you were to be

terminated due to refusing a hospital COVID-19 vaccine requirement, that would not impact your future employment opportunities with Medical Solutions, PPR, or Aureus Medical.

Q: Will I still get paid if I experience side effects from taking the COVID-19 vaccine that render me unable to work?

A: Probably not. However, if you are exposed to COVID-19 (Coronavirus) while working on assignment with Medical Solutions, PPR, or Aureus Medical, and are quarantined, we will pay your guaranteed hourly wages, as well as your meals and lodging stipends while you are away from home, for up to 14 days.

Q: What if I have more questions about the COVID-19 vaccine and its distribution to healthcare professionals?

A: We will continue to update this FAQ with information as it is available to us. If you have any questions, please contact your recruiter. We'd also direct you to the following resources from the CDC:

[How CDC is Making COVID-19 Vaccine Recommendations](#)

[8 Things to Know About the U.S. COVID-19 Vaccination Program](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions About COVID-19 Vaccination](#)

Q: If I get my first COVID-19 vaccine shot while I'm on assignment but then my contract ends before I can get the second shot, how and where do I get my second dose?

A: If possible, you should get your first shot with at least 4-weeks left on your assignment. That will give you the best chance of getting both shots at the same facility. That said, whoever administers your vaccination should provide you a printout from their internal tracking system (or even a handwritten note on some sort of approved form) that you received the vaccine and whether it's the first or second shot. You should not walk away from being vaccinated without knowing how to get proof and details of your vaccination. You should also ensure that you receive a copy of all documentation related to the shot you receive and retain that information if you need to secure your second shot at a new location. That information will help guide the facility to ensure you get the correct dose. Please also send documentation of your vaccine to your recruiter so we can help keep on file for you.