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Hospitals Applaud Governor's Action to Protect Oregon Patients

Increasing health care worker vaccination rates protects patients, visitors, and communities

Lake Oswego, Ore. – August 4, 2021 – Becky Hultberg, President and CEO of the Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems, released the following statement regarding the Governor's newly released rule on vaccination and testing requirements for health care workers in Oregon.

"Throughout the pandemic, Oregon's hospitals have been committed to safeguarding the health of our patients, visitors and workers. We support today's action by Governor Brown, which will require health care workers in Oregon to be vaccinated against COVID-19 or be tested regularly for the virus. With these additional tools we can better respond to this evolving pandemic and provide the safest possible environment for those who depend on us."

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