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Subj: AUXILIARY COVID-19 RECONSTITUTION GUIDANCE - VERSION 3

- 1. All Auxiliarists are highly encouraged to review the latest version of the Auxiliary COVID-19 Reconstitution Guide which has been posted in AUXDATA II and on the CHDIRAUX website at: Auxiliary Reconstitution Guide. (To review the guide in AUXDATA II, login to AUXDATA II; from the AUXDATA Navigation Bar select "More," then "Files," and then select "Libraries." The guide and other relevant COVID-19 information with be located in the folder listed as "CG Auxiliary COVID-19 Guidance.") If you have any questions regarding the content of the guide, please reach out to your Chain of Leadership and Management (COLM).
- 2. This update incorporates change, effective immediately, that requires full COVID-19 vaccination for Coast Guard Auxiliarists when assigned to duty that involves in-person interaction with Coast Guard personnel (including other Auxiliarists), other government personnel (federal, state, and local), or members of the public. It is meant to ensure the health and well-being of unvaccinated Auxiliarists, Coast Guard personnel, and members of the public that the Coast Guard is obligated to protect. Unvaccinated Auxiliarists (including partially vaccinated) remain able to volunteer for any assignments or activities that do not involve inperson interaction with members of the public, other government personnel, or Coast Guard personnel.
- 3. Procedures for handling Auxiliarists' requests for medical exemption and religious accommodation of this policy change are under development. When they are established and announced, CG-BSX-1 will start to collect, review, and issue determinations on such requests.
- 4. This guidance is intended to provide assistance to the Directors of Auxiliary (DIRAUX), Coast Guard units, and Order Issuing Authorities (OIA) on how to use Coast Guard Auxiliarists in the safest way possible during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Knowing that the spread of the Pandemic is different in every area, region, state, city, town, etc., DIRAUX and OIAs may deviate from this guide as they see fit for their cognizant areas of responsibility (AOR), except for the vaccination requirement.

- 5. DIRAUX offices, Coast Guard units, and OIAs are continually assessing operational risks posed by COVID-19 and developing mitigation strategies in advance of mission performance. They remain the best sources for guidance regarding Auxiliary assignments to duty within their AORs. All Auxiliarists are expected to help them by exercising caution and strictly adhering to all Coast Guard guidance.
- 6. Internet release is authorized.
- \*\*\*For many reasons including the value of keeping communication lines clear and open as well as facilitating access to training and educational tools, all Auxiliarists are urged to have their own email address and to keep it updated in AUXDATA.\*\*\*
- \*All ALAUX's are posted on the Chief Director of Auxiliary web site located at: <a href="https://example.com/chief-director-of-Auxiliary-web-site-located-at:-2012/chief-director-of-Auxiliary-web-site-located-at

If you have a question regarding this ALAUX, please seek resolution within your Chain of Leadership and Management (COLM) including up to your servicing District Director of Auxiliary (DIRAUX). If your question still cannot be resolved after that, then please email <a href="CGAUX@uscg.mil">CGAUX@uscg.mil</a>.