

STATE OF WASHINGTON — Office of Governor Jay Inslee —

## PROCLAMATION 21-14, et seq. RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION REQUEST FORM

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Sections specific to state agencies are highlighted to help employers avoid mislabeling their forms.

## [INSERT DATE]

The \_\_\_\_\_\_ (name of agency) will provide reasonable accommodations to qualified applicants and employees with religious beliefs, unless providing such accommodations would pose an undue hardship.

## Instructions for employees:

Below are initial intake questions for you to respond to in requesting a sincerely held religious belief exemption pursuant to Proclamation 21-14, *et seq*.

Please return this form and your response to **[insert name and mailing address of employing agency**]. Please complete your response no later than **[insert date]** to help us assure timelines for response can be met. To avoid delay, please feel free to electronically transmit your response to the following fax number: **[insert fax number]** or through secure email transmittal.

If you have any questions or need more information, please do not hesitate to contact [insert name of responsible agency personnel] at [insert phone number(s), or at email address(es)].

## Questionnaire:

- 1. Employee name and Personnel Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- You, \_\_\_\_\_ [employee name], assert that you have a sincerely held religious belief or religious conviction that prevents you from receiving the COVID-19 vaccine. □ YES □ NO
- 3. You, \_\_\_\_\_ [employee name] affirm/agree that you have never received a vaccine or medicine from a health care provider as an adult.

In most circumstances, the \_\_\_\_\_\_(agency) will need to obtain additional follow up information about your strongly held religious belief(s). [Agency name] will reach out to you if additional information is needed to process this request.

I certify that I have read and understood the information provided in this request, and that it is true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Employee Signature

Date