

PATH OUT OF THE PANDEMIC PRESIDENT BIDEN'S COVID-19 ACTION PLAN



Vaccinating the Unvaccinated



Further Protecting the Vaccinated



Keeping Schools Safely Open



Increasing Testing & Requiring Masking



Protecting Our Economic Recovery



Improving Care for those with COVID-19

1. **Vaccinate the unvaccinated:** ~2/3 of adult workers in US will be under some sort of vaccine requirement

- All employers with 100 or more employees require employees be fully vaccinated or produce a weekly negative test. PTO must be offered for vaccination and post-vaccination recovery (through DOL and OSHA)
- All federal executive branch workers, including contractors, must be fully vaccinated without test-out option (through EO)
- All workers in most health care settings that receive Medicare or Medicaid reimbursement must be fully vaccinated without test-out option (through CMS)
- Calls on large venues (ie: sports arenas, large concert halls) to require that their patrons be vaccinated or show a negative test for entry (not a mandate)

2. **Further protecting the vaccinated:** Boosters

- Preparing for boosters to start as early as the week of September 20th, free, and widely available (pending FDA and ACIP)

3. **Keeping schools safety open:**

- All personnel at Head Start, Early Head Start, DOD and Bureau of Indian Education-operated schools must be fully vaccinated.
- Call for schools to require all employees be fully vaccinated (IL already has an EO)
- Additional funding and legal support to state/local officials if they have funding withheld for promoting CDC guidance
- “Timely review” of vaccine for <12 years old

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4. Increasing testing and requiring masking

- Use the Defense Production Act to accelerate the production of rapid COVID-19 tests, including making at-home tests available at cost at large retailers (Amazon, Walmart, Kroger)
- Distributing free rapid tests to community health centers and hundreds of food banks; expanding pharmacies with free testing
- Continued masking requirements on federal property and during travel

5. Protecting our economic recovery

- Small Business Administration will increase the maximum amount of funding available, make it easier for certain sectors to access funds; repayment does not begin until 2 years after. Will streamline Payment Protection Program
- New SBA Community Navigator program, deploying trusted community partners in underserved communities

6. Improving care for those with COVID-19

- Double the number of DOD teams of clinicians deployed to support hospitals battling a surge in COVID-19 cases
- Increase pace of free monoclonal antibody treatment distribution
- Expand COVID-19 Surge Response Teams to conduct in-person technical assistance and virtual trainings for physicians and health system officials to increase education and interest in administering these treatments.