

## Religious, Moral, and Ethical Exemption from COVID-19 Vaccination Requirements

### **The right to refuse medical treatment**

My individual right of bodily integrity and my right to refuse medical treatments for religious, moral, ethical, and medical reasons—whether treatments are experimental or approved by government—is protected by federal law and regulatory policy. In most cases, my rights are also protected by state law.

Forced or coerced vaccination is a violation of my bodily integrity and therefore, is unethical. Forced or coerced vaccination is also a violation of my dignity as a person, because freedom of religion and freedom of conscience are fundamental to human dignity.

### **The right to refuse an illicitly derived treatment**

As a Christian, I believe it is immoral for any institution to base, in whole or in part, an individual's access to employment and/or education on receiving a pharmaceutical derived from abortion. The design, production, or testing of vaccines using the remains of aborted human beings, who did not consent to be experimented on and whose body parts were trafficked to provide the means for vaccine creation, is immoral.

[All of the COVID-19 vaccine products currently available](#) in the U.S. were produced using aborted fetal cell lines, tested using aborted fetal cell lines, or both.

As a Christian, I oppose the trafficking and commodification of human beings at all stages of life. I cannot, in good conscience, participate in or accept practices that perpetuate and encourage the relationship between abortion, biomedical science, and human trafficking, no matter when that connection was initiated or how long a practice has been accepted.

Humans are made in the image and likeness of God (Genesis 1:26). Christians have a duty to honor and care for the body God has given us as a temple of the Holy Spirit (Romans 12:1, 1 Corinthians 3:16, 1 Corinthians 6:20, 1 Corinthians 10:31). Moreover, decisions regarding vaccination are personal and must be determined by the individual, not by the jurisdiction of the State or any other authority (Romans 13:1).

I have a right to uphold my own bodily integrity and moral conscience and a right to refuse medical treatment. I also have a right to refuse to participate in acts that permit the trafficking and commodification of human beings for the advancement of science.

**As such, I am requesting an exemption from this institution's COVID-19 vaccine policy based on my personal, sincerely held religious, moral, and ethical beliefs.**

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