

# GHC-SCW: Requiring employees to receive COVID-19 vaccine

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**Madison, WI** – Group Health Cooperative of South Central Wisconsin (GHC-SCW) announces that all employees must receive at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccination by November 1, 2021, unless they receive an exemption for religious or medical reasons.

92% of the 800 GHC-SCW employees have been vaccinated already. The announcement aligns with area health care partners and organizations across the state and nation that are mandating COVID-19 vaccines.

“We have an obligation to not only provide the safest possible environment for our patients but also to lead by example. The absolute best way to protect yourself from serious illness is to get the vaccine. We are going to practice what we preach. And of course, we also feel it is our responsibility to provide a workplace free of known hazards for our incredibly dedicated team of frontline workers,” said Dr. Mark Huth, GHC-SCW President and Chief Executive Officer. “We adopted this policy to safeguard the health of our employees, their families, and of course, our members, patients, and the communities we live in from infectious diseases that vaccinations are proven to reduce.”

Current information about receiving the COVID- 19 vaccine is always available at [ghcscw.com](http://ghcscw.com).

## **About GHC-SCW**

[Group Health Cooperative of South Central Wisconsin](#) (GHC-SCW) is a nonprofit health plan that cares for more than 75,000 members. The Cooperative serves the greater Dane County area and the South Central Wisconsin region with insurance

and clinical services. GHC-SCW is the first health plan in Wisconsin to offer patients a money-back guarantee if they are not satisfied with their experience at a GHC-SCW clinic. GHC-SCW is perennially a national leader for quality, achieving the highest possible rating of 5 out of 5 nationally in 2019 and was the number one rated private plan in Wisconsin from 2006–2020 according to the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA).