



MILWAUKEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Supervisors Propose Vaccine Incentives and Requirement for all Milwaukee County Employees

MILWAUKEE – Supervisor Ryan Clancy has introduced a resolution proposing that Milwaukee County require all employees to be fully vaccinated against Covid-19. Clancy is also urging County leaders to incentivize vaccinations to encourage employee participation, and to apply the policy in an equitable fashion. Supervisors Rolland, Shea, and Czarnezki are co-sponsors.

“Milwaukee County government’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic has been a model of agile, responsible disaster response,” said Supervisor Clancy. “The executive orders have been firmly grounded in the best science available and have undoubtedly saved lives and suffering.”

“The increasing threat to public health from Covid variants like Delta compels us to call on County Executive Crowley to require all County employees to get vaccinated, and provide positive incentives to facilitate voluntary vaccinations,” Clancy added. “Vaccination continues to be an important tool in keeping our communities safe.”

“I invite the County Executive to join us in our call to require vaccinations of all county employees, and urge my colleagues on the Board of Supervisors to show continued unity in our support for the Crowley administration’s bold action to protect the public,” he concluded.

“Vaccines make Milwaukee County stronger: medically, economically, emotionally and academically,” said Supervisor Shawn Rolland. “With a shot, we can give local businesses, universities and schools the confidence to stay open, create jobs, and grow our economy.”

With the recent rise in Covid-19 cases stemming from the increased transmission rate and viral load of the Delta variant, major employers like Northwestern Mutual, and public events such as Summerfest, are requiring proof of vaccination.

The number of confirmed cases in Milwaukee County is on the rise, with 1,427 new cases in Milwaukee County last week, and 258 hospitalizations. The number of Covid deaths in Wisconsin reached double digits over consecutive days last week, a first since February.

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