

Declaration of Religious or Philosophical Objection for Required Influenza Vaccination

USC Student Health Policy

USC requires all students to submit proof of influenza vaccination by November 1 of each year. Students can be exempt from this requirement if they have a medical contradiction to the vaccine.

Students can request exemption from this requirement if they have a religious or philosophical contraindication to the vaccine(s).

In order to qualify for a religious or philosophical exemption please describe below the student's religious or philosophical beliefs and how these are beliefs are contrary to the practice of immunization. This explanation should include enough detail that the institution can determine that these beliefs are sincerely held and consistently guide and influence the student's life.

If the student is under the age of 18, this statement should be provided and signed by the parent/guardian. If the student is 18 years old or older, then the statement should be provided by and signed by the student. If more space is needed, please use the back of this page.

Patient Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

USC ID# (10 digits): _____

Student or Parent /Guardian (if student is less than 18 years old)

By signing this declaration the student, or if a minor, his/her parent or legal guardian, verifies the request for exemption from required influenza vaccination by the University of Southern California on the basis of genuine and sincere religious or philosophical beliefs.

An unvaccinated student is at greater risk of becoming ill with influenza.

I understand this Religious Exception Form and have had the opportunity to ask questions about it. I verify the truth and accuracy of my statements in this Religious Exception Form.

Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (if student is under 18 years old) _____

For use by USC Student Health staff only:

Date Received:

Date Approved:

Date Denied:

Reviewer Name (Print):

Reviewer Signature: