

Executive Department
State of Idaho

State Capitol Boise

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT STATE OF IDAHO BOISE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2021-13

BANNING VACCINE PASSPORTS AND MANDATORY TESTING

WHEREAS, Idaho law does not require Idahoans receive a COVID-19 vaccine, and it is a matter of personal choice; and

WHEREAS, some Idahoans are unable to receive a vaccine due to age, medical condition, religious objection, or philosophical objection; and

WHEREAS, some states are exploring and implementing various "vaccine passport" systems and mandates; and

WHEREAS, California has mandated that children receive a COVID-19 vaccine in order to access either public or private schools; and

WHEREAS, implementing "vaccine passport" requirements violates Idahoans' medical privacy, impedes our economic recovery, encourages prejudice and discrimination, and causes division among our populace; and

WHEREAS, some entities within Idaho are ignoring these problems and still attempting to implement "vaccine passport" systems in violation of Executive Order No. 2021-04; and

WHEREAS, it is contrary to my core values as an Idahoan that any Idahoan should be forced, coerced, or threatened into receiving a vaccine; and

WHEREAS, I believe it is contrary to the principles of a free society for anyone to face prejudice or discrimination for their personal medical decisions; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 5 of the Idaho constitution, the supreme executive power of the state is vested in the Governor of Idaho, who shall see that the laws are faithfully executed; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Idaho Code 67-802, the Governor is authorized and empowered to implement and exercise his constitutional duties by issuing executive orders which shall have the force and effect of law when issued.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice McGeachin, Acting Governor of the State of Idaho, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Idaho, and the laws of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim and declare as follows:

- 1. No department, agency, board, commission, or other executive branch entity or official of the State of Idaho, including but not limited to the Idaho State Department of Education and all public schools, colleges, and universities shall:
 - a. Require as a condition of accessing state services or facilities that an individual produce proof he
 or she has received a COVID-19 vaccine, produce proof he or she has tested negative for
 COVID-19, or reveal his or her COVID-19 vaccination status; or
 - Require as a condition of continued or new employment that an individual produce proof he or she has received a COVID-19 vaccine, produce proof he or she has tested negative for COVID-19, or reveal his or her COVID-19 vaccination status; or

- c. Produce and issue a COVID-19 vaccine passport for the purpose of certifying that an individual has received a COVID-19 vaccine; or
- d. Provide information of an individual's COVID-19 vaccine status to any person, company, or governmental entity for inclusion in a COVID-19 vaccine passport program.
- 2. All departments, agencies, boards, commissions, and other executive branch entities of the State of Idaho are directed to immediately take steps to rescind, alter, or suspend any administrative rules in conflict with this Executive Order.
- 3. This Executive Order does not, and shall not be construed to, prohibit, restrict, or otherwise limit:
 - a. The right of an individual to access his or her own personal health information under state or federal law; or
 - b. The normal operation of Idaho's existing Immunization Reminder Information System (IRIS).
- 4. This Executive Order is effective beginning at 2:00 pm on October 5, 2021.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho in Boise on this 5th day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-one.

ÁNICE MCGEÁCHIN GOVERNOR

LAWERENCE DENNEY SECRETARY OF STATE