Department of Veterans Affairs

Memorandum

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Date:

From: Associate Chief of Staff, Research Service (151)

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- 1. You (______) are required to be cleared by Occupational Health before reporting for duty. This is a condition of your employment here, regardless of your salary source. You must schedule a visit with Occupational Health (612-467-2985) (Room 4M-123) before you start your work with Research Service.
- 2. Bring the following items with you to your Occupational Health visit:
 - a. This memo with item #3 below completed
 - b. Verifiable or official copies of immunization records (or antibody titer levels) for:
 - i. MMR (Measles, Mumps, and Rubella)
 - ii. Varicella
 - iii. Hepatitis B
 - iv. Tetanus (evidence of vaccination within the past 10 years)
 - v. Influenza
 - vi. COVID-19
 - c. Medical documentation of tuberculosis (TB) screening test results in past 12 months. If you don't have a recent TB screening, you may receive one at the VA.
 - d. A completed Zoonoses Questionnaire if working with animals, or animal tissues or fluids.
- 3. Complete the following items with your PI. Will your research assignment involve:

a.	Exposure to human tissues or fluids? If yes, specify:	[] No	[] Yes
b.	Exposure to animals, animal tissues or fluids? If yes, specify:	[] No	[]Yes
C.	Exposure to pathogens? If yes, specify:	[] No	[]Yes

- 4. Depending upon your duties and/or the laboratory in which you will be working, you may be vaccinated or have a blood sample drawn and stored for reference purposes.
- 5. Return this completed memorandum to the Research Office (<u>VHAMINResearchOffice@va.gov</u>) and you will then be issued any necessary laboratory coats and keys.

Associate Chief of Staff, Research

To: Research Office (151)

Date: _____

The above named employee reported to Occupational health for screening. The employee has been informed of any necessary follow-up visits.

Reviewing Occupational Health Staff Member

Subj: Occupational Health Clearance (Appointment Term: