RESCISSION OF VHA DIRECTIVE 2010-003, VACCINATION OF NON-VA FEDERAL HEALTH CARE AND EMERGENCY SUPPORT STAFF


2. The requirements in this directive are based on a 2008 Executive Decision Memo responding to a 2008 request from the White House that VA vaccinate a targeted group of non-VA Federal employees in the event of a pandemic. VHA developed policy, processes, and funded Veterans Integrated Service Networks (VISN) to hire personnel, purchase equipment, and cover costs associated with this program. This system was deployed in response to the influenza H1N1 pandemic in 2009 with few non-VA Federal or emergency support staff vaccinated in this program. The funding, the program office and the coordinating center for this work have since ended, therefore we recommend rescinding this directive. If the need arises and funding becomes available, another directive and program can be quickly developed in the future.

3. All inquiries concerning this action should be addressed to the Office of Patient Care Services, Occupational Health Service (10P4Z) at VHA10P4ZOccHAction@va.gov.

4. This VHA Notice will be archived as of March 31, 2018. However, the rescission information will remain in effect.

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