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Frederiksted Healthcare Implements Mandatory Covid-19 Vaccination For Employees

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The Board of Directors of Frederiksted Health Care announced Wednesday that it voted on Monday to approve mandatory vaccination for its employees "after careful discussion."

FHC CEO Masserae Sprauve-Webster stated, "As one of the largest health care providers in the Virgin Islands, we take our responsibility to our patients, our staff and our community seriously and at the forefront of that responsibility is their safety. Requiring our employees to be vaccinated against the Covid-19 virus will reduce the risk to our patients as well as to our staff and their families."

She added, "We are proud to join other health care providers such as the Mayo Clinic, Kaiser Permanente, the Veterans Administration, our own Roy Lester Schneider Medical Center and Juan

F Luis Hospital and Medical Center and over 150 other health care systems across the United States and Territories in taking this important step to end this pandemic.”

Frederiksted Health Care said it continues to provide outpatient care at its six service delivery locations on St. Croix, using both in-person and virtual visits to minimize the risk of Covid-19 transmission. The release did not state whether medical or religious exemptions would be granted to eligible employees.

Patients and staff are screened for Covid-19 symptoms before entering Frederiksted Health Care facilities and masks are required to be worn by all individuals inside the health center buildings, according to the release.

“We must all do our part to end this terrible pandemic and we remind everyone to get vaccinated, wear a mask and maintain social distancing so that we can return to normal," FHC said.