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Hot Topic: [Biden Administration announces six-part plan to further combat COVID-19](#)

What are we hearing?

- The Biden Administration is reinforcing and expanding its plans to get people vaccinated and combat COVID-19.

What should you know?

The Biden Administration has announced a new six-part plan to combat COVID-19.

1. This is what's changing:

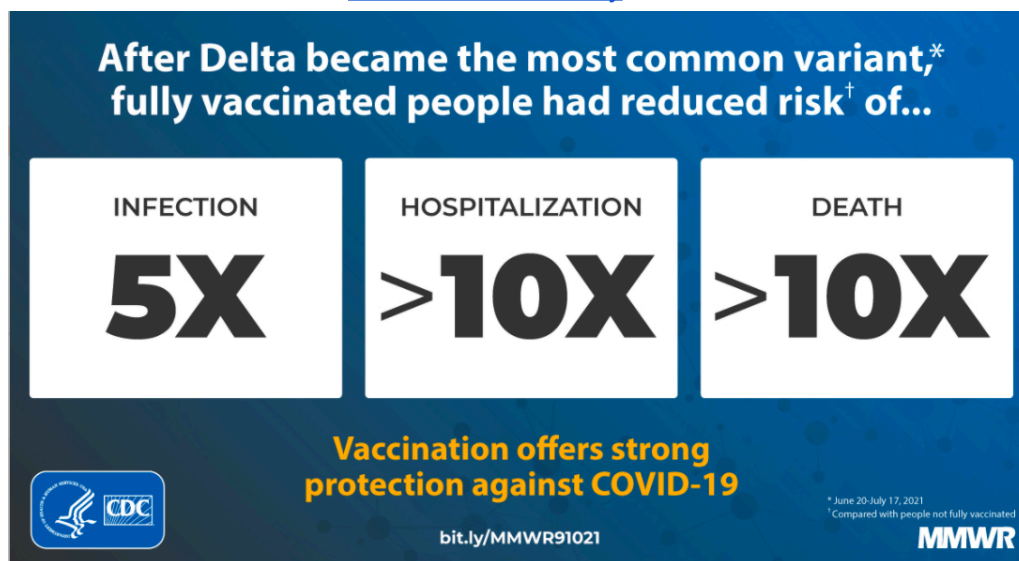
- Teachers and school administrators
 - Teachers and staff at Head Start and Early Head Start programs, the Department of Defense (DOD), and the Bureau of Indian Education-operated schools will be required to get vaccinated
- Federal employees and contractors
 - All federal workers and contractors will be required to be vaccinated, removing the option to opt for a weekly test instead
- Medicare and Medicaid health care providers
 - Workers in most health care settings that receive Medicare or Medicaid reimbursement will be required to be vaccinated

2. This is what may change in the near future:

- Private employers
 - All employers with 100 or more employees may soon be required to ensure their workforce is fully vaccinated or require unvaccinated folks to get a weekly Covid-19 test
 - Employers with more than 100 employees may soon be required to offer paid time off to employees to get vaccinated

What can I do?

- Learn more:
 - a. The White House - [Path Out of the Pandemic](#)
 - b. New York Times - [Biden's Vaccine Push: What You Need to Know](#)
- Share these messages:
 - a. Getting a COVID-19 vaccine will keep you and your co-workers safe. [Find a vaccine](#) near you.
 - b. Getting your employees vaccinated can prevent severe illness and death from COVID-19. Contact [your local health department](#) to host an on-site vaccination clinic.
 - c. Talking to your employees about COVID-19 vaccine resources such as paid time off, free transportation in the area, and free child care can help get your employees vaccinated. Please share your local health department's resources.
 - d. People who are vaccinated are 10 times less likely to be hospitalized with COVID-19! [Get vaccinated today](#).



- Hold a vaccine event at your organization, or share ongoing clinics in your area with your networks.
- Forward this email or any messages in it to your networks

Feel free to copy and paste any of this information into your own format

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