**NEIU Required Immunizations Religious Exemption Form**

**Instructions:** Read the entire form. Please complete this form electronically. This form can be submitted via the health portal, email to [health-services@neiu.edu](mailto:health-services@neiu.edu), fax: 773-442-5808, or delivered to Student Health Services at E-051.

**Illinois Administrative Code 77-694.210 Religious Exemption**

The objection must set forth the specific religious belief that conflicts with the immunization. The religious objection may be personal and need not be directed by the tenets of an established religious organization. General philosophical or moral reluctance to allow immunizations will not provide a sufficient basis for an exception to statutory requirements.

An individual may be exempted from required immunizations upon acceptance from the Student Health Services (SHS) department by providing SHS a written statement. SHS reserves the right to decline a request if the written statement does not meet the requirements stated above.

**Individual’s Information**

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| Last Name: |  | First Name: |  | NEIU ID: |  |
| Exemption requested for: ☐ Tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Td or Tdap) vaccine  ☐ Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR) vaccine  ☐ Meningococcal conjugate (Meningitis) vaccine  Describe your religious exemption: | | | | | |

**Acknowledgement**

By signing this form, electronically or otherwise, verifies the understanding of this document and its full content; verifies the understanding that the request for a religious exemption may not be granted; verifies that compliance is mandatory.

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| NEIU Student or Employee Signature: |  | Date: |  |

**Disclaimer**

* Acceptance to religious exemptions can be voided if and when there are changes in regulations
* Any change in status will void latest acceptance and require a new exemption request

**Religious Exemption Notification**

No individual is required to have an immunization that is contrary to their religious beliefs. However, not following vaccination recommendations may endanger the health or life of the unvaccinated individual, others with whom they come in contact, and individuals in the community. In a disease outbreak, after exposure to any of the diseases for which immunization is required, or if new policies indicate requirements for vaccination, the university may exclude individuals who are not vaccinated in order to protect all students and the community.