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99% of Charleston County Government Employees Comply with Vaccine Mandate Policy

"As the elected leadership of the County, we have a responsibility the public," said Charleston County Council Chairman Teddie Pryor. "This responsibility means that we sometimes are required to make decisions for the greater good, that may not be popular, but are warranted. In this case, our decision was supported by 99% of our employees complying. This is about responsibility and respect for their fellow employees, and for those we serve on a day-to-day basis, and I am confident it was in the best interest of our community."

"The Council's decision to require vaccinations was about keeping our staff safe, as well as the citizens who visit our facilities. This was our top priority, and we appreciate those who complied," said Charleston County Administrator Bill Tuten. "Only six employees out of 1,333 employees who fall under the Administrator failed to comply with the Council's decision, showing support and understanding by an overwhelming majority of our team. We are certainly pleased with this effort."

Charleston County's vaccine mandate policy required all employees to be fully vaccinated or submit a medical or religious exemption by November 7, 2021.

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