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CEO Commission for Disability Employment Statement on the COVID-19 Vaccines

New York, NY (**April 15, 2021**) –The CEO Commission for Disability Employment encourages the business community to provide the necessary resources to empower their employees with disabilities to access COVID-19 vaccines. These resources may include paid time-off to attend a vaccine appointment, information on how to book an appointment and access to expert information about the vaccines themselves. Many individuals with disabilities face a higher risk of serious illness or death from COVID-19. We urge employees and prospective employees with disabilities to get immunized when appropriate and accessible.

The CEO Commission for Disability Employment understands the value of COVID-19 vaccines to support employees with disabilities in their safe return to work. The CEO Commission for Disability Employment also understands the importance of education and its related services and supports for the future workforce. We acknowledge the opportunity presented by COVID-19 vaccines for a safe path for students, teachers and other support professionals to return to in-person instruction. These areas are crucial to ensuring equitable access to education and employment opportunities.

The CEO Commission for Disability Employment provides research, information, actionable steps and advocacy opportunities for member companies to recruit, onboard and retain individuals with disabilities. As the nation and economy recover from the impacts of COVID-19, we must make sure individuals with disabilities are not left behind.