



Date: August 25, 2021

To: Human Resources Representatives

From: Kait Rooney, Director HRIS & Operations

Re: COVID I-9s Expiring as of September 3, 2021

I am writing with a reminder that the USCIS guidance that has allowed the University to complete I-9s under the ["I-9 Form Completion during Remote Operation UOP"](#) is expiring as of August 31, 2021. As a result, Human Resource Services will no longer be accepting I-9s completed under this UOP after August 31, 2021. Additionally, we will be contacting employees that have a "COVID I-9" on file to notify them of the requirement of physical examination of acceptable documents prior to September 3, 2021 (3 days after the expiration of the related USCIS guidance.) Please find a copy of the template employees will receive below. While we are directing employees to visit our office to complete their I-9s, it is possible for department authorized representatives utilizing the following procedure:

1. Contact Human Resources Services for a copy of the COVID I-9 on file.
  - a. Copies of the IDs sent to HRS should not be retained after the I-9 is updated.
2. Require employee to show a form of physical ID on the list of [acceptable documents](#). Documents must not be expired.
  - a. The employee does not need to show the same form of identification that they showed to complete the COVID I-9, as long as the form shown is on the list of acceptable documents.
3. Enter the I-Ds into section 2.
4. In the "additional information" box enter "COVID-19" then "document physically examined on [DATE]."
5. Complete the employer representative portion of section 2.
6. Secure file transfer **section 1 and 2 together** to [hrsinfo@uvm.edu](mailto:hrsinfo@uvm.edu) for record retention.
7. Once received, HRS will update PeopleSoft to reflect that the employee has a valid I-9 on file versus a COVID I-9.

Please note, only I-9 Authorized University Representatives may complete the process above.

Authorized University Representatives have completed the University I-9 training.

If you have question, please do not hesitate to contact Human Resource Services at [HRSinfo@uvm.edu](mailto:HRSinfo@uvm.edu) or 802-656-3105.



Dear [Employee],

Our records indicate that upon hire or re-verification you completed your I-9 using the [“I-9 Form Completion during Remote Operation UOP”](#). The USCIS guidance that has allowed the University to complete I-9s using this process is expiring as of August 31, 2021. Your completed first page of the I-9 is on file with Human Resources Services, however, [acceptable documentation](#) must now be physically examined in person. The **physical examination** of the document(s) and/or ID(s) must be completed **prior to September 3, 2021. Failure to provide acceptable documentation by the deadline aforementioned could result in you no longer having a valid I-9 on file and therefore, no longer being authorized to report to work or be present in the work place until acceptable documents are provided.**

Below are your options to have the I-9 process completed in full to remain eligible to work in the United States:

1. Visit a Human Resource Services staff member during one of the designated Fall I-9 completion sessions:

Date	Time	Location
Monday, August 30	8:30AM-10:30AM	Waterman 427A
Tuesday, August 31	12:30PM-2:30PM	Waterman 427A
Wednesday, September 1	2:00PM-4:00PM	Waterman 427A
Thursday, September 2	9:30AM-11:30AM	Waterman 427A
Friday, September 3	8:30AM-10:30AM	Waterman 427A

2. Visit the Human Resource Services Office located at 228 Waterman Building, open Monday – Friday from 8:00am – 4:30pm.
3. Employees not on-site, have the option to follow the [Remote Hire I-9 Process](#) or discuss other options with their department.

If you are unable to utilize the options above to update your I-9 or have any questions, please contact Human Resource Services at [hrsinfo@uvm.edu](mailto:hrsinfo@uvm.edu) or call 802-656-3150.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

**Kait (Bedell) Rooney** [she/her pronouns - [why?](#)]

Director HRIS & Operations

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