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Subject: Public comment for August 20 meeting: Support for COVID vaccine mandate
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Hello, Mr. Filippi.

I am a Nevada resident, parent, and employee of the University of Nevada Las Vegas. I'm writing in regards to adding COVID-19 to the list of communicable diseases for which NSHE students would need to provide proof of immunity. I am very strongly in support of a COVID-19 vaccine mandate. Such a mandate would be in the best interest of public health for all students, faculty, and staff at these institutions. We already require that students receive vaccinations for other communicable diseases such as diphtheria, measles, mumps, and rubella. It is only logical that we add COVID-19 to this list given the current public health crisis in our state and nation. The available vaccines are the best tools we have to prevent further spread of this virus and to safely and successfully fully reopen our campuses.

Sincerely,
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