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## Rabbinical Assembly CAREER CENTER

The Joint Placement Commission ("JPC"), after unanimous vote, released a statement that there is to be **no travel related to search processes and no in-person interviews** until April 1, 2021.

It is the duty of the JPC to establish policies and procedures that advance a fair, orderly and dignified career transition process for RA member rabbis seeking positions in USCJ member congregations. We know in so many other areas of the rabbinate that *pikuah nefesh doheh Shabbat* – saving a life takes precedence over Shabbat. And while we are applying this concept quite differently in this policy, we believe the message is the same: our obligation to protect your life is more important than your obligation to visit a potential community for Shabbat (or anytime). We take this seriously and we expect our rabbis and communities to take this seriously too.

Accordingly, we are asking all rabbis who are in search or will be entering search, to **sign and agree to the policy by filling out this webform**. Congregations will also be required to agree to this policy. Failure to sign may result in suspension of a congregation's job listing or suspension of a rabbi's job search account. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact [Emily Hendel](#), Director of Career Services.

Please continue to check your email about upcoming training sessions throughout the fall season to help you smoothly navigate this transition and prepare for a virtual interview experience.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

Your RA Career Center Team

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