

SDAGD COVID-19 HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN FOR IN PERSON EVENTS

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*CDC has updated their recommendations for fully vaccinated people

- **SCREENING & EXPOSURE PROTOCOL**

- Participants will not be permitted to attend in person event if they have experienced any of the following symptoms in the past 14 days: fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea. Participants will also not be permitted to attend in person event if they have tested positive for COVID-19, are waiting for COVID-19 test results, have COVID-19 symptoms, or if they have had close contact with a person who has tested positive for or who has symptoms of COVID-19 and they, themselves, have not had COVID-19 in the past 3 months or been fully vaccinated.
- SDAGD will make every effort to retain email addresses of attendees in case they need to be contacted to be informed of an exposure

- **DISINFECTION & PREVENTION**

- SDAGD recognizes that the risk of contracting COVID-19 from touching a surface is low. The most reliable way to prevent infection from surfaces is to regularly wash hands or use hand sanitizer.
- Recommend attendees wash their hands at appropriate times (for example before and after eating) with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and increase monitoring to ensure adherence.
 - If soap and water are not readily available, staff and attendees can use hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol and rub their hands until dry.
- Ensure that there are adequate supplies to support healthy hygiene, supplies include soap, water, hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol, a way to dry hands (e.g., paper towels, hand dryer), tissues, disinfectant wipes, masks (if preferred)
- Post signs in highly visible locations that promote everyday protective measures and describe how to stop the spread of germs by properly wearing a mask, physical distancing, and washing hands.
- Discourage attendees from greeting others with physical contact (for example, handshakes)

- **LOCATION INFRASTRUCTURE - Patterson Dental 4030 Sorrento Valley Blvd, San Diego, CA 92121**

- Ventilation
 - Available data indicate that it is much more common for the virus that causes COVID-19 to spread through close contact with a person who has COVID-19 than through airborne transmission. There is evidence that under certain conditions, people with COVID-19 seem to have infected

others who were more than 6 feet away. This is called airborne transmission. These transmissions occurred in indoor spaces with inadequate ventilation. In general, being outdoors and in spaces with good ventilation reduces the risk of exposure to the virus that causes COVID-19.

- CE venues should make every effort to ensure the following:
 - Ventilation systems operate properly and increase circulation of outdoor air as much as possible, for example by opening windows and doors and prioritizing outdoor seating if possible.
 - Increase total airflow supply to occupied spaces, whenever feasible.

- Bathrooms

- Cleaned and disinfected regularly, particularly high-touch surfaces

- **MASKING**

- Masks should be worn while indoors except while eating and drinking if a person has not had COVID-19 and recovered or has been fully vaccinated
- Exemption: a person with a disability who cannot wear a mask, or cannot safely wear a mask, for reasons related to the disability.

- **PROTOCOL FOR INFECTIONS**

- Immediately separate attendees with COVID-19 symptoms (for example, fever, cough, shortness of breath) at the event. People who are sick should go home or to a healthcare facility, depending on how severe their symptoms are, and follow CDC guidance on how to isolate.
- In accordance with state and local laws and regulations, event planners should notify local health officials of any confirmed case of COVID-19
- Advise those who have had close contact with a person diagnosed with COVID-19 to stay home and quarantine, self-monitor for symptoms, and follow CDC guidance if symptoms develop.

- **FOOD AND BEVERAGE**

- Currently, there is no evidence to suggest that handling food or eating is associated with directly spreading COVID-19. However, people sharing utensils and congregating around food service areas can pose a risk. Limit food or beverage service in areas in which people are more likely to congregate as that may encourage unmasked interactions
- Discourage people from sharing items that are difficult to clean, sanitize, or disinfect
- Limit any sharing of food, tools, equipment, or supplies by attendees
- Avoid offering any self-serve food or drink options, such as buffets, salad bars, and drink stations. Consider having pre-packaged boxes or bags for each attendee

- **ADDITIONAL CDC GUIDANCE**

- Consider limiting event attendance to staff and attendees who live in the local area (for example, community, city, town, or county) to reduce the risk of spreading the virus from areas with higher levels of COVID-19. If attendance is

open to staff and guests from other communities, cities, town or counties, provide attendees with information about local COVID-19 levels so they can make an informed decision about participation. Encourage staff and attendees to check for any travel restrictions before traveling to the event

- COVID-19 POINT OF CONTACT: Designate an administrator or office to be responsible for responding to COVID-19 concerns. All staff and attendees should have information about who this person or office is and how to contact them
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