

## **CHIA Protocol for COVID Safety at In-Person Events**

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The following steps will be taken to ensure safety of all attendees, presenters, volunteers and other guests at in-person CHIA events:

Attendees will be required to:

- Accept/sign the “COVID-19 SAFETY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT -- LIABILITY WAIVER AND RELEASE OF CLAIMS.”
- Present documentation of COVID negative results for a test (PCR or antigen) taken within 5 days preceding the event.
- Wear a face mask covering the mouth and nose at all times, except when eating, drinking or presenting (regardless of vaccination status).
- Abstain from attending any event if they feel sick or present symptoms of COVID-19.
- Notify CHIA if they test positive for COVID-19 within 5 days following an event.

CHIA will:

- Require a signed “COVID-19 SAFETY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT -- LIABILITY WAIVER AND RELEASE OF CLAIMS” from each attendee.
- Space seating to the extent possible.
- Provide hand sanitizer.
- Notify all attendees if we become aware of an attendee testing positive for COVID-19 within 5 days following an event.
- Transition to a virtual event if local, state or federal mandates require us to do so. Registration fees will be refunded accordingly.
- Monitor CDC guidelines and update this protocol accordingly.