



ACPE Events Health Update and Information

As we all know, the rapidly changing conditions created by COVID-19 and its variants, as well as the differences of infection rates and responses from state to state, necessitate that event sponsors like ACPE constantly evaluate and update health and safety protocols for upcoming in-person events.

With ACPE's Fall 2022 events season upon us, ACPE has meticulously considered current federal, state and local health and safety guidelines and worked diligently to position ourselves to fully and successfully exercise our duty of care and responsibility as host of multiple in-person events across the United States.

Based on numerous considerations and after consulting with other industry leaders who have recently hosted various sized meetings and events, **ACPE is announcing the following health and safety protocols for the Fall of 2022 at all ACPE hosted in-person gatherings:**

- All attendees are asked to confirm a negative test within 48 hours of arrival to the host site for any ACPE in-person gathering. At-home tests are acceptable and negative test results will be confirmed via this [ACPE Events Health & Liability Waiver form](#).
- Attendees that have not shown proof of a negative test in advance of the meeting will be asked to do so prior to entering the event.
- Mask-wearing at all Fall 2022 ACPE in-person gatherings is strongly encouraged but is optional,
- During or within the 10 days following attendance at an ACPE gathering, ACPE management should be notified immediately of any positive test results for COVID-19 or other communicable illness.
- ACPE will endeavor to communicate to attendees should someone report testing positive while on-site or within 10 days after any gathering.
- ACPE may change, update, or add to these protocols at any time as it deems prudent to best protect the health and safety of attendees and others, and attendees are asked to comply with current policies as communicated by ACPE.
- ACPE cannot be held liable for COVID-19 or other communicable illness cases arising from event attendance and currently asked the following from all attendees at ACPE in-person meetings and events:
 1. Confirm a negative test taken within 48 hours prior to arriving.
 2. Sign the [ACPE Event Health & Liability Waiver form](#).
 3. Bring a mask; while it is not required, you may want to wear a mask indoors.
 4. Consult CDC and public health recommendations, and federal, state, and local regulations applicable to host location.

Warm regards,

Rev. Shawn Mai
Chair ACPE Board of Directors

ACPE Events Health Policy

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- ACPE's number one priority is the health and safety of our event participants. Our goal is to hold a safe event, recognizing it is not possible to remove all risks, in particular concerning COVID-19 and other communicable illnesses.
- It would be impossible for ACPE to craft a blanket action/response that is applicable to ALL of the many locations across the United States hosting ACPE's Fall 2022 events. Each attendee should consult CDC and public health recommendations, and federal, state, and local regulations applicable at the time of the event for any respective host site prior to travels.
- Attendees are asked to confirm a negative test taken within 48 hours prior to arriving at any ACPE hosted event.
- Attendees are asked to take common actions to reduce the risk of COVID transmission and to act accordingly (including leaving the event area) in case of exposure to COVID or other communicable illness or experiencing symptoms.
- Should attendee experience symptoms, the individual should seek appropriate medical attention, including testing, and immediately inform ACPE should a COVID-19 or other communicable illness test be positive during the event or in the 10 days following the event.
- Protect yourself by frequent hand washing/sanitizing and minimizing face touching.
- Masks are strongly encouraged but not required, unless otherwise mandated by state or city ordinance of the host location.
- Failure to comply with all safety protocols and requirements as listed above or related directions from ACPE representatives on-site may result in being asked to leave or not participate in the respective ACPE event.

What should I do before I arrive?

1. Confirm a negative test taken within 48 hours prior to arriving.
2. Sign the [ACPE Event Health & Liability Waiver form](#).
3. Bring a mask; while it is not required, you may want to wear a mask indoors when you are not eating or drinking.
4. Consult CDC and public health recommendations, and federal, state, and local regulations applicable to host location.

Ready to confirm a recent COVID-19 test result and sign your ACPE Health & Liability Waiver? Click [HERE](#).

Your comfort-level is very important to us. If for any reason you do not feel comfortable attending any event for which you are registered or expected to attend, feel free to reach out to the respective meeting chair or to our events manager, Terry Izaguirre, at terry.izaguirre@acpe.edu and we will gladly discuss other options. If current guidelines change, we will update our attendees accordingly as quickly as possible.