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IDA Annual Conference & Marketplace Guidelines and Protocols

PLEASE NOTE: Safety guidelines below are subject to change at any time based on regulations of all levels of government, domestic and international. We ask that in-person attendees follow all safety instructions provided by IDA at all times, and that registrants do not attend any in-person events if feeling unwell or showing any symptoms of illness.

IDA places the highest priority on the health and safety of our members, partners, and colleagues. We require that attendees adhere to all guidance in order to make our 2022 event safe, secure and enjoyable for all. As the economy continues to reopen, IDA recognizes that recommendations for large indoor events continue to evolve. With the COVID-19 and variants, we are proactively addressing concerns regarding COVID-19 protocols for the event. We will continue to monitor information from the [British Columbia CDC](#), [Government of Canada](#) and will maintain consistent communications regarding the conference on [IDA's event webpage](#).

PREVENTATIVE MEASURES	<p>In the interest of your safety and the safety of others, IDA strongly encourages COVID vaccinations for its attendees, exhibitors, sponsors, volunteers and staff who will be at the IDA Annual Conference & Marketplace. IDA will be asking all attendees, exhibitors, sponsors and volunteers to provide documentation proof of their COVID – 19 “full vaccination.”</p> <p>An individual is considered fully vaccinated*:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Two (2) weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, OR• Two (2) weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson’s Janssen vaccine. <p>*Accepted vaccines by the Government of Canada for purpose of travel to and within Canada based on the Travel.GC.CA website and authorized by the World Health Organization (WHO): AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD (ChAdOx1-S, Vaxzevria, AZD1222), Bharat Biotech (Covaxin, BBV152 A, B, C), Janssen/Johnson & Johnson, Moderna (mRNA-1273), Pfizer-BioNTech (Comirnaty, tozinameran, BNT162b2), Sinopharm BIBP (BBIBP-CorV), Sinovac (CoronaVac, PiCoVacc).</p>
HOTEL	Conference hotel has developed a global program introducing new standard of hotel cleanliness and disinfection.
OFF-SITE VENUES	Masks will be required and physical distancing is recommended during events taking place outside of the conference hotel.

PHYSICAL DISTANCING	Physical distancing is recommended. Sessions will occur at staggered times to prevent traffic/congestion throughout the hotel meeting space. Session rooms will be monitored to ensure not to exceed maximum capacity.
SIGNAGE	Proper signage will be placed throughout the hotel meeting space indicating recommended physical distancing, cleanliness protocols and additional information along with offsite events taking place off hotel property. Signage will also be placed in public areas of the hotel.
MASKS REQUIRED	Attendees will be required to wear face masks (regardless of vaccination status) at all in-person functions except when eating or drinking based on British Columbia CDC recommendations and Government of Canada guidelines as well as best practices from other meetings to maximize protection from COVID-19 and variants and prevent possibly spreading it to others. Masks must be worn over your face and mouth and secured under your chin.
HAND SANITIZING STATIONS	Hand sanitizing stations will be provided. We recommend that attendees follow British Columbia CDC guidelines and Government of Canada guidelines and utilize hand sanitizing stations before and after eating as well as all sessions and breaks along with washing your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands. Hand sanitizers will contain at least 60% alcohol and should cover all surfaces of the hands and rubbed together until they feel completely dry. IDA also strongly recommends and suggests to bring your own sanitization items for personal use outside of the conference, when traveling and when consuming food and beverage.
DAILY HEALTH SCREENINGS	COVID-19 testing site information will be provided upon request. Attendees may be required to provide confidential health information to appropriate providers. IDA strongly recommends and suggests conducting self-temperature checks and self-screenings upon arrival.
ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND LIABILITY WAIVER REQUIRED	Attendees who wish to attend in-person will be required to complete a COVID-19 assumption of risk form during the registration process for the conference and liability waiver onsite during registration check-in.