

## **ASTHO In-Person Event Participation Policy**

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ASTHO is committed to providing a safe in-person environment and experience. Our goal is a return to in-person events in a way that is safe, healthy, and comfortable for our participants.

ASTHO strongly encourages up-to-date COVID-19 vaccination, including recommended boosters, for those that participate in any ASTHO-hosted in-person meetings and events. Registrants are required to acknowledge the In-Person Event Participation Policy prior to entering the meeting venue.

In tandem with venue staff, ASTHO will follow guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and its Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices to implement the following guidelines for all participants:

- Participants should take a COVID test (PCR or antigen) and receive a negative result prior to attending any meeting or event.
- Participants should NOT travel to any ASTHO meeting if they are ill or experiencing symptoms of any illness, including COVID-19, even if their symptoms are mild.
- ASTHO STRONGLY ENCOURAGES facial mask wearing for all indoor events. ASTHO encourages attendees to wear N95 or KN95 masks and will make face masks and hand sanitizers available on-site.
- Participants are encouraged to maintain and respect proper social distance throughout the duration of the event, including indoor social events and off-agenda meetings and gatherings indoors.
- Staff will ensure meeting areas are properly prepared, set, sanitized, and cleaned.
- Participants should notify ASTHO if they test positive for COVID-19 post-event. ASTHO will notify attendees of any reported COVID-19 cases and will ask that participants quarantine and not attend any further events until they complete the required quarantine period.

We discourage anyone who has been exposed to COVID-19 or who has symptoms of COVID-19, influenza, or other communicable illnesses within 14 days of the ASTHO-hosted event from traveling and participating in the event.

For questions or any clarifications, please contact meetings@astho.org.