

## MDC In-Person Event Health and Safety Policy

To ensure the health and safety of all event participants and their families, we ask that all attendees of MDC-hosted in-person events adhere to the following policy. This policy intends to comply with all applicable laws and is based on guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and local health authorities. The policy is subject to change as guidance is updated. Any changes to this policy will be communicated to event registrants in a timely manner.

### Prior to the event

- We ask that all participants please stay home when you are sick with COVID-19 symptoms, which may include fever, cough, and difficulty breathing.
- If you feel well, but know you have recently been exposed to someone with COVID-19 or felt unwell, we ask that you complete an at-home COVID-19 rapid test prior to attending. [Tests are available in limited quantities through the US Government and for purchase at your local pharmacy.](#) If you need assistance acquiring an at-home COVID-19 rapid test, please contact MDC for assistance. A PCR or Rapid test at an official testing site and completed at most 2 days prior to the event is also acceptable. MDC does not require that you submit your test results.
- If you receive a positive test result confirming that you have COVID-19, you may not attend the event.

### During the event

If the county where the event is being hosted has a HIGH COVID-19 transmission rate according to the [CDC Covid-19 by County](#) resource, MDC will require that all participants wear a well-fitting mask during the entirety of the event and while plating their food from any catered meals provided. Masks will not be required while eating during mealtimes. Disposable masks will be available upon arrival at the event, in the case that you do not have a personal one to use. MDC encourages everyone to do what is necessary to take care of yourself. If wearing a mask for an extended time has a negative impact on you, we encourage you to participate remotely or, if present, to exit the event space and remove your mask as needed.

MDC cannot guarantee that physical distancing at a minimum of 6-feet will be possible during all event activities. When possible, we will do our best to strive for physical distancing given what the space allows (by reserving the largest possible room and using technology to allow attendees to spread out while still being able to see and hear to participate. We encourage all attendees to support physical distancing when appropriate (for example: by occupying every other seat if possible).