Annual Meeting COVID Protocol

Statement to Members

Two years after the pandemic started, COVID-19 is still a challenge that we are living with. To create a safer environment, the Executive Committee is asking live attendees to comply with the following, which is detailed further below:

1. Submitting an acknowledgement 12-24 hours in advance of the meeting regarding the IAATO Annual Meeting COVID protocols;
2. Performing a daily health assessment and acknowledgement prior to entering the meeting room regarding current health;
3. Performing a daily lateral flow COVID-19 test prior to joining the meeting and acknowledging a negative test;
4. Confining to one’s hotel room and participating virtually, if you are COVID-19 positive and/or displaying COVID-19 related health conditions;
5. Respecting individual choices for the Traffic Light COVID Comfort level scheme.

PRE-MEETING

Members fill out the IAATO Annual Meeting COVID protocols acknowledgement.

**Pre-meeting acknowledgement (Survey Monkey to be sent)**

- I acknowledge that I am fully vaccinated against COVID-19.
- I acknowledge that if I was diagnosed with COVID-19, I have met the public health criteria for ending isolation.
- I acknowledge that I have not been in close contact with a person who tested positive for COVID-19 within 5 days prior to travel.
- I acknowledge that I have read the IAATO Annual Meeting COVID protocols and agree to adhere to them to allow for a safer environment for the other attendees of the meeting.

REGISTRATION

- Prior to registration:
  - Members will pick up their COVID-19 BINAXNow tests on Monday, April 25, 2022 between 1300 & 1500 EDT at the Omni Hotel. The COVID-19 Test Pickup table will be placed before the registration table in front of the plenary room at the Omni Hotel – The Narragansett Ballroom
Members self-administer their COVID-19 test and take a picture of the results.
If you cannot pick up your COVID test between 1300 & 1500 EDT, they need to get in touch with Gina Greer (ggreer@iaato.org) to determine how their tests can be provided to them.

At registration:

Members will show a picture of their negative COVID-19 test.
Members will verbally give the daily acknowledgement that they don’t have any of the COVID-19 symptoms:

**Daily acknowledgement (on poster in front of meeting room)**

I acknowledge that I do not feel any of the following symptoms:

- fever or chills
- cough
- shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- fatigue
- muscle of body aches
- headache
- new loss of taste or smell
- sore throat
- congestion or runny nose
- nausea or vomiting
- diarrhea

Members will then be provided with a name badge. Only individuals with a name badge will be allowed to enter the townhall and icebreaker.
Members will also have the option to participate in the Traffic Light Comfort Level Scheme

**TRAFFIC LIGHT COVID COMFORT LEVEL SCHEME**

During registration, attendees will pick up their badges and choose a sticker color, which will designate how they want to interact with others during the meeting. Stickers should be placed in the top right corner of the badge so that they are easily visible to other participants. Badges must be worn at all times during the meeting for access to sessions and events.

Green Happy to say hello with a hug
Yellow Handshakes & Fist-bumps
Red Maintain distance

**DAYS 2-4**
Prior to coming to meeting:
  - Members self-administer their COVID-19 test and take a picture of the results.

At meeting doors:
  - Members will show a picture of their negative COVID-19 test to a member of the COVID Advisory Group.
  - Members will verbally give the daily acknowledgement that they don’t have any of the COVID-19 symptoms to a member of the COVID Advisory Group.
  - Members will be given a unique sticker of the day to put on their badge – which acknowledges that they have been cleared for that day.

Currently the United States, Rhode Island and the Omni Hotel do not have mask mandates. Therefore, the wearing of a mask will be optional.