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ABSA International 2nd Biosecurity Symposium
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COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

Updates regarding COVID-19 restrictions change frequently. Our risk assessment and mitigation strategies may change as conditions change.

All in-person attendees must sign a COVID-19 Code of Conduct stating that they are currently up to date with vaccinations against SARS-CoV-2 following CDC recommendations. In-person attendees will submit this document as part of the symposium registration process.

CDC recommendations state that you are optimally protected against COVID-19 by [getting vaccinated](#) and staying up to date with a [booster dose](#).

- *Individuals are optimally protected against COVID-19 by getting vaccinated and staying up to date with a booster dose. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/vaccine-benefits.html>*

Get Vaccinated Even If You Had COVID-19 and Think You Have Natural Immunity

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/prepare-for-vaccination.html>

International in-person attendees should follow WHO guidelines for vaccination status and must follow testing requirements for entering the United States and returning to their home country.

Guidelines and expected conduct for symposium include:

- Each in-person attendee will be asked, as part of the registration process, to sign a COVID-19 Code of Conduct reflective of expected behaviors.
- Masks may be required based on COVID conditions at the time of the course. Please bring and be prepared to wear (according to current requirements) a high-quality, well-fitting mask(s) with at least two layers of tightly woven fabric. ABSA International will have a limited supply of appropriate masks available.
- Attendees are expected to complete a daily self-assessment of their daily health before the start of each day. If attendees have symptoms, they are to contact Julie Savage from the ABSA Office immediately at julie@absaoffice.org or 847-341-4817.
- A participant will be asked to leave the course/symposium if they are experiencing [COVID-19 symptoms](#) respiratory symptoms.
- Prior to travel, attendees are expected to self-assess and to avoid travel if they are displaying [COVID-19 symptoms](#) or are unsure.
- ABSA International will partner with the Renaissance Minneapolis Hotel to follow current CDC recommendations regarding social distancing, cleaning, food service, etc. The hotel's "Commitment to Clean" can be viewed [here](#).