

# **SWAAAE Duty of Care Policy**

### Creating a safe, worry-free experience is our top priority.

As we plan for the SWAAAE Summer 2021 Hybrid Conference, the health, safety and well-being of our attendees remains our top priority. SWAAAE has adopted preventative measures that will ensure optimal health and sanitary conditions in all environments where in-person interaction takes place, in accordance with current guidance provided by the <u>U.S. Centers for Disease Control</u>.

### **Transportation**

We are staying up to date on all travel guidelines, considerations and restrictions from global and local authorities. We'll be reporting any major transportation or travel announcements that impact the event on the SWAAAE website and via email.

See what action TSA's taking in response to COVID-19 here.

#### **Before the Event**

In light of the ongoing spread of COVID-19, individuals who fall within any of the categories below should not engage in the SWAAAE conference in-person. By attending a SWAAAE event, you certify that you do not fall into any of the following categories:

- Individuals who currently or within the past fourteen (14) days have experienced any symptoms associated with COVID-19, which include fever, cough, and shortness of breath among <u>others</u>;
- 2. Individuals who have traveled at any point in the past fourteen (14) days either internationally or to a community in the U.S. that has experienced or is experiencing sustained community spread of COVID-19;
- 3. Individuals who believe that they may have been exposed to a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19 or have been diagnosed with COVID-19 and are not yet cleared as non-contagious by state or local public health authorities or the health care team responsible for their treatment.

## **On-Site During the Event**

SWAAAE asks that you follow guidance from your local health authority, for everyday preventive actions to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses including: thoroughly washing and sanitizing your hands, avoid touching your face/eyes/nose with unwashed hands, observe social distancing guidelines whenever possible, properly use facial coverings in meeting spaces at all times.

To assist attendees in complying with these requests, the following will be made avaiable by SWAAAE:

- Disposable masks
- Responsible F&B/seating/barriers will be placed in meeting spaces following state requirements
- Signage will be placed to reinforce spatial distancing and other safety requirements and reminders
- Designated staff person responsible for developing protocols and responding to all COVID-19 related situations and concerns
- Hand sanitizer stations and disinfectant
- Items will be made available for attendees to note their comfortability level at the in-person event

#### **Post-Event**

Duty to Self-Monitor: Based on current contact tracing advice from many health authorities, participants and volunteers agree to self-monitor for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 (symptoms typically include fever, cough, and shortness of breath). If he/she experiences symptoms of COVID-19 within 14 days after participating or volunteering with SWAAAE, contact SWAAAE at <a href="info@swaaae.org">info@swaaae.org</a>.

**Please note** that by registering for and attending SWAAAE's Summer 2021 Hybrid Conference in-person, you agree to abide by and engage in certain health-and-safety-beneficial conduct while attending the event. You agree to adhere to the precautions and policies contained herein and acknowledge and understand that you are knowingly and freely assuming all risks related to illness and infectious diseases, such as COVID-19, by attending this event. Further, you understand that refusal to adhere to these policies and abide by these precautions may result in immediate removal from the event and cancellation of the registration, without receiving a refund.

If you have any questions please contact **SWAAAE** Headquarters at 480-403-4604.