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# Health and Safety for IASA Xchange™ and OnPOINT Meetings in June

As we prepare to host the insurance industry at <u>IASA Xchange<sup>TM</sup></u> and <u>OnPOINT</u> at the Baltimore Convention Center in Baltimore, Md., I would like to reiterate our commitment to a safe and inclusive experience for all participants and provide you with a summary of our current health and safety protocols:

**Vaccination Requirement**: All onsite participants (including all service providers, IASA staff and guests) will be required to upload proof of vaccination in advance before being allowed into the Baltimore Convention Center. A COVID-19 booster shot is strongly encouraged as extra protection. The site will be available April 11, and notification to upload your vaccination card will be sent to all of those who have registered at that time.

**Test Before You Leave Home**: For your own peace of mind, consider taking a COVID-19 test before you depart for Baltimore.

**Mask Requirements**: At this time, Baltimore County requires and will enforce that all individuals, regardless of vaccination status, wear a mask indoors. IASA, the Baltimore Convention Center, and all ancillary event partners will enforce this mandate for indoor settings. Masks are not required for outdoor networking opportunities; however, we encourage you to do what you are most comfortable with in this case.

IASA will enforce its **Right to Entry** and **Event Health and Safety Protocols** detailed below and also on our <u>event websites</u>, which require consent during registration by all participants as a condition of onsite participation. This includes the stipulation that if you feel sick or are experiencing COVID-like symptoms prior to traveling to or while onsite in Baltimore, you will reconsider your participation at the event.

To help ensure your personal safety and comfort during IASA Xchange<sup>™</sup> and OnPOINT, IASA is committed to robust and transparent communications during the event. We encourage all participants to monitor IASA social media channels to receive up-to-the-minute updates. In addition, IASA will send updates via the meeting mobile app (coming soon), so be sure to download it when it's available.

For complete details (and potential updates) about the IASA Xchange<sup>TM</sup> and OnPOINT health and safety guidelines, please visit our <u>Health & Safety page</u>. If you have questions, we encourage you to reach out to us at <u>info@iasa.org</u>.

Finally, I would like to take this time to personally thank you for your support of IASA during 2021. We look forward to seeing you in Baltimore!

Best regards,

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CEO, IASA





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# **Right to Entry Requirements**

IASA will require all attendees, exhibitors, speakers, contractors, and staff attending 2022 IASA Xchange<sup>™</sup> and/or OnPOINT in-person, be fully vaccinated to gain access to the conference, exhibit hall, or any ancillary events.

For the purposes of 2022 IASA Xchange<sup>™</sup> and/or OnPOINT, at this time, a person is considered fully vaccinated:

 Two (2) weeks after their second dose in two-dose series, such as the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines,

or

• (Two) weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine

Booster shots are highly recommended. This guidance applies to COVID-19 vaccines authorized for use and for emergency use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (i.e., Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson (J&J)/Janssen COVID-19 vaccines), and COVID-19 vaccines authorized for emergency use by the World Health Organization (i.e., AstraZeneca/Oxford, Covishield, Sinopharm, and Sinovac).

Only medical and religious exemptions will be permitted. Supporting documentation will be required. IASA reserves the right to deny, at its discretion, entry to any individual who does not provide compelling supporting documents or refuses to comply with directives issued.

To verify vaccination status, IASA will use an app called Crowdpass. As the meeting approaches, IASA will provide registered attendees, exhibitors, speakers, and contractors with instructions for uploading their vaccination information using the Crowdpass app. For questions, please contact membership@iasa.org.





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## **Event Safety Protocols**

In addition to the aforementioned vaccine requirements, IASA developed the following event safety protocols for 2022 IASA Xchange™ and OnPOINT events. Any updates will be posted and shared with registered attendees, exhibitors, sponsors, and vendors prior to the event.

### **Before Leaving Home:**

- Follow relevant guidance provided by the <u>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)</u> and/or your local health authority.
- Adhere to government issued travel restrictions and guidance issued by the region you will be traveling to and the region from which you are traveling.
- Stay home if you feel sick, have tested positive for COVID-19, are waiting for COVID-19 test results, or have been in close contact with a person who has tested positive for COVID-19.

#### **On-site During the Event:**

- Follow guidance from the local health authority for everyday preventive actions to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses including, but not limited to:
  - Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or an alcohol-based sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
  - Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
  - Cover your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing. Throw used tissues in the trash.
  - Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
  - Providing proof of a negative COVID-19 taken within 72 hours of the first day of the meeting, if you are unvaccinated due to a medical or religious exemption only.
- At this time, masks are required. You must wear a face mask that completely covers your face from the bridge of your nose to past your chin. Neck gaiters, bandanas, and masks with exhaust valves are not acceptable face coverings.
- Go to the event First Aid office at any time if you feel unwell or are experiencing flu-like symptoms.

Adherence to on-site guidelines in place at the time of the event is required. Anyone not adhering to the guidelines will be asked to leave or will be removed from the event premises and to surrender his/her event badge and will forfeit their registration fees.

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