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HEALTH & SAFETY

Frequently Asked Questions

Biotech Showcase™ Attendee: Frequently Asked Questions

1. Will I need to wear a mask at the event?

As per the San Francisco city mandate: **Mask wearing is now a city requirement** for all large indoor events apart from when actively eating or drinking regardless of vaccination status. We will have masks available throughout the event if you should lose yours or need a replacement.

Biotech Showcase staff will be wearing masks and contact areas like badge pick up will include individual plexi glass stations and staff will be in PPE.

2. I'm a speaker will I need to wear a mask during my presentation?

Speakers who are giving solo presentations will need to wear a mask once at the lectern/podium. All our audio-visual equipment including microphones will be fully sanitized.

3. I'm speaking in a panel will I need to wear a mask?

You will need to continue to wear a mask during the panel. Masks are available at the badge pick up area.

4. I'm an exhibitor will I need to wear a mask in the exhibit area?

Yes, as per San Francisco city mandate **masks must be worn indoors at all times** unless actively eating or drinking regardless of vaccination status. Masks are available at the badge pick up area

5. Will I need to show proof of vaccination?

Yes, we require you to show either your proof of double or full vaccination

6. How will I show my proof of vaccination and what proof will be accepted?

We will be making a visual in-person check of vaccination proof on arrival at the badge pick up area. We do not wish to transmit or store health data electronically, and so all checks will be done in person at the badge pick up area. This means we are unable to do this in advance.

We will need to see your ID and then Proof of vaccination. Valid forms of proof are:

- Original, copy or electronic photo of the CDC vaccination card (or similar documentation issued by another foreign governmental jurisdiction); or
- documentation from a healthcare provider; or
- personal digital COVID-19 vaccine record issued by the State of California available by going to <https://myvaccinerecord.cdph.ca.gov>; or

- personal digital COVID-19 vaccine record issued by another State, local, or foreign governmental jurisdiction; or
- personal digital COVID-19 vaccine record issued by an approved private company

This must include your full name and the date of either the 2nd vaccination or the single shot vaccination (if applicable) these must have been given before December 22, 2021

7. Will you accept proof of non EU/US approved vaccines?

Yes, as long as the full dose has been administered before December 22, 2021

8. Will you accept proof of vaccinations which have had mixed doses from different vaccine providers?

Yes, as long as the 2nd vaccination was given before December 22, 2021

9. What if I don't have my proof of vaccination with me?

Admittance into the conference requires a proof of vaccination, please produce one of the following. Otherwise, you will not be allowed in the conference.

- Original, copy or electronic photo of the CDC vaccination card (or similar documentation issued by another foreign governmental jurisdiction); or
- documentation from a healthcare provider; or
- personal digital COVID-19 vaccine record issued by the State of California available by going to <https://myvaccinerecord.cdph.ca.gov>; or
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10. Will there be increased cleaning and hand sanitation points?

Yes, the entire venue will be deep cleaned, before, throughout and after event days. Increased hand sanitation points can be found throughout the venue and at food stations.

11. Will the event be socially distanced?

We have ensured appropriate distancing in all our meeting space according to local San Francisco regulations.

12. How will Food and Beverages be served safely?

Staff wearing PPE and there will be hand sanitizing stations placed around the food and beverage.

13. Will there be increased ventilation throughout the event?

The Hilton has a MERV 13 rated HEPA filter per CDC and OSHA Guidelines.

14. Do I need to be worried about paper handouts or increased touch points at the event?

This year we have minimized giving paper handouts and providing QR codes to download material digitally.