SHEA's Current COVID Safety Policies and Procedures*

*Subject to change

Vaccination Required to Attend

SHEA requires all persons who attend the Advancing Health Equity through Antimicrobial Stewardship Workshop to be up to date with their COVID-19 vaccinations based on the CDC definition during the date of September 6, 2023. When registering for the workshop, attendees will self-attest that they will be up to date with my COVID-19 vaccines at the time of the conference. Those that do not self-attest will not be able to pick up their badges and attend. Up to date means that you have completed a COVID-19 vaccine primary series and received the most recent booster dose recommended for you. *

Exceptions are under consideration on a case-by-case basis for approval for attendees with a medical condition or closely held religious belief that prevents "up to date" vaccination. These attendees must provide proof in advance of the conference as well as a negative COVID-19 PCR test taken within 72 hours prior to the conference start time, as well as a negative test each day of the conference. Attendees with an exemption will be responsible for purchasing and administering SHEA approved COVID-19 tests before arrival. More information will be shared once approval is provided.

Masking

Masks are recommended but not required for anyone that prefers to wear one for their own personal safety and comfort but will be at each attendee's personal discretion. Attendees should bring their own masks. SHEA will provide additional masks upon request at registration while supplies last. We ask all attendee to respect all participants' personal choice on masking.

As mentioned above, our masking policy is subject to changes. We will continue to keep you updated on any adjustments as we get closer to the conference as more information becomes available.

Experiencing Symptoms

Attendees, speakers, and staff shall not attend the workshop with a confirmed case of COVID-19. SHEA recommends purchasing travel insurance in the event you need to cancel. SHEA Speakers who are unable to attend due to a confirmed case will be able to either provide their presentation by pre-recorded video or a replacement speaker will be selected to present.

Additionally, attendees, speakers and staff shall not attend the workshop at any time when experiencing symptoms, even if mild, of COVID-19, including fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, body aches, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, runny nose, nausea or vomiting. All registrants who experience symptoms associated with COVID-19 while attending the workshope are required to immediately discontinue their participation and are encouraged

to immediately seek medical care. Attendees with these symptoms should isolate and consider testing.

Local Healthcare Providers and Testing Centers:

- CVS 3221 Peachtree Road NE Atlanta, GA 30305
- Center for Health and Rehabilitation 265 Boulevard, Atlanta, GA 30312
- Atlanta Urgent Care 2140 Peachtree Rd NW #360, Atlanta, GA 30309

Registrants who discontinue their participation in the conference after becoming ill can access post conference recordings to complete their participation in the workshop.

Post Conference Reminder

If you experience any symptoms after attending the workshop, we recommend testing, isolating, and contacting your physician for further recommendations.

These policies are guided by SHEA's commitment to science, public health, safety, evidenced-based medical practice, and the law. The policies are subject to modification at any time based on new information. Attendees in violation of the COVID-19 Safety Policies will be asked to leave the event.