



2024 Building CAPACD Convention COVID-19 Safety Requirements

We look forward to coming together and connecting in person this year in Chicago. Your health and safety are our top priorities at the 2024 Building CAPACD Convention. Please familiarize yourself with the following policies and guidelines to ensure a safe event experience for all.

Proof of vaccination

All participants must provide proof of vaccination and at least one booster (unless they have a medical or religious exemption – please see the last section below). Please be advised that the CDC has issued [updated vaccines](#) (this is different from a booster) as of Fall 2023, and we highly encourage getting vaccinated if your last booster was before this time. Please submit your record of vaccination (the latest booster) in advance of your travel to the Convention [here](#).

Symptoms

If you experience any symptoms of illness during the event itself, such as a fever, cough, or shortness of breath, we kindly request that you do not attend the 2024 Building CAPACD Convention, and notify us at events@nationalcapacd.org. You will be able to return upon confirmation of a negative result from a rapid COVID test. We will have rapid tests available as needed at registration.

Indoor/Outdoor masking

To ensure the safety of all attendees, we **strongly encourage** all participants to wear well-fitting N95, KN95, KF94, FFP2, or surgical masks indoors. All participants will receive a mask and hand sanitizer in their welcome bag. Masks will also be available as needed at registration.

Please mask outdoors as you feel comfortable, being mindful of the size of crowds in your surroundings.

Engagement

During check-in, participants will mark their name badge with a green, yellow, or red sticker. Green indicates that they are comfortable with all forms of contact (i.e., hugging); yellow indicates that they are comfortable with limited contact (i.e., shaking hands, receiving items from others, etc.); and red indicates that they would like to engage with others only when masked and minimal physical contact (i.e., no hugging or shaking hands). Please be mindful of each others' masking preferences as indicated by their colored stickers (green, yellow, or red). If you are engaging with someone who is masked, please mask as well.

Sessions

During each session, we will provide disinfectant wipes and hand sanitizer in the room. Please feel free to use these wipes and hand sanitizer to sanitize your hands or the space where you are sitting.

COVID reporting

If a participant tests positive upon arrival and before checking into the Convention, please immediately self-isolate, email events@nationalcapacd.org, and wear a mask in shared spaces until you are able to safely make your way home. Please do not attend the 2024 Building CAPACD programming if you are sick. Please consult a healthcare professional for further guidance.

National CAPACD will fully refund the registration fee (if paid) for any participant who tests positive upon arrival and before checking in. We cannot cover any additional costs incurred by the participant (i.e., meals in isolation and extended hotel accommodations).

National CAPACD will partially refund the participant's registration if a participant tests positive after official programming begins.

Medical and religious exemptions

Participants with medical and religious exemptions to the COVID-19 vaccine and booster will be given reasonable accommodations. Please notify events@nationalcapacd.org if a religious or medical exemption applies.

By adhering to these guidelines, we aim to create a safe and inclusive environment for all attendees at the 2024 Building CAPACD Convention. We will adjust our protocols and requirements according to any external changes and communicate timely updates. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated as we work together to ensure the well-being of our community.