ISSCC 2024 COVID 19 PROTOCOLS

The health and safety of our conference attendees is our top priority. The ISSCC 2024 conference Executive Committee remains vigilant in monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic and will follow CDC and State of California guidelines.

Travel to San Francisco

Please read the site for people travelling to the United States at COVID-19 | Disease Directory | Travelers' Health | CDC

Masks and sanitizers

In accordance with local guidance, protective masks are now optional indoors. At this time, ISSCC 2024 does not intend to require participants to wear protective masks while attending the event. However, all participants may wear an approved face covering at all times while inside the venue and while attending ISSCC. Face coverings may be removed when actively eating, drinking, or giving a presentation during a session.

All participants should feel safe and comfortable while attending the event. We ask that all participants be respectful of the mask-wearing and social-distancing preferences of their fellow participants.

Hand sanitizing lotion will be available throughout the hotel and at the Registration desk.

COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing

Currently, proof of vaccination is no longer required in meetings in San Franciso. We will be monitoring that regulation, and the ISSCC website will be updated as regulations change.

Although not required, participants are encouraged to consider taking a COVID-19 test before traveling to ISSCC, if they are feeling unwell and if they become symptomatic at any time during the event.

COVID Symptoms and Positive COVID-19 Protocols

Should you feel unwell and develop symptoms related to COVID-19 while attending ISSCC, please stay masked and quarantined until you are able to test. Contact the onsite management team at melissaw@widerkehr.com as soon as possible so that your situation can be monitored and supported, as needed. Doing so will allow the team to take appropriate precautionary measures for the health and well-being of fellow participants.

Guidance on acquiring a rapid test or accessing local testing locations can be found <u>here</u>, and at the addresses available below.¹ Please do not go to the registration desk.

Out of an abundance of caution, we ask you to take the following steps:

Step 1: Take a COVID-19 rapid test as soon as possible, staying masked and quarantined pending testing and results. Until you take a rapid test and receive results, it is recommended you refrain from attending the in-person conference sessions and events and wear a mask if it is necessary to be in public places outside the event.

If you test negative for COVID-19 after becoming symptomatic while attending the event, please use your best judgment to determine whether you should resume attending conference sessions or events and/or continue to wear a mask in public places, bearing in mind that the potential for false negatives on early tests is high. Please consider both your own health and safety as well as the health and safety of other conference participants.

 ¹ <u>Carbon Health</u> 415-792-6040; <u>Circle Medical</u> 415-840-0560; <u>Dignity Health GoHealth Urgent Care</u> 650-448-1455; <u>Kaiser Permanente Getting a COVID test at Kaiser</u> 866-454-8855; <u>North East Medical Services (NEMS)</u> 415-391-9686; <u>One Medical</u> 415-593-1134; <u>UCSF</u> 415-514-7328

Step 2: If you test positive while attending the event, you must promptly notify the onsite event management team at *melissaw@widerkehr.com*

You should refrain from attending conference sessions and events and continue to wear a mask in public places outside the event. If needed, your registration can be converted from in-person to on demand.

All communication and information in support of your situation will remain confidential in line with data privacy regulations.

U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Protocols

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has issued a set of protocols that you should follow if you are feeling unwell, displaying COVID-19 symptoms or test positive while visiting the United States. Please check the CDC site: Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) | CDC

Note: If your country of origin is outside of the United States we recommend you review the guidance provided by your local health authorities for COVID-19 protocols for scheduling your return home.