

NCSP 2022 Annual Meeting-
RE: COVID-19 Protocols

Dear Conference Attendees:

We look forward to having you join us at the NCSP 2022 Annual Meeting, which will be held in Half Moon Bay, CA, on November 15-17, 2022, and hosted by our UCSF site. This is an in-person event without a hybrid virtual option. We are writing to provide you with important information about COVID-19-protocols that will be in place during the meeting.

Our event protocols are based on guidance from the San Francisco Department of Public Health, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC), and UCSF. In some instances, our requirements are more stringent than these guidelines, given NCSP's unique role as an academic, health, and research enterprise.

Current protocol:

- Proof of vaccination required for all attendees, upon event registration
- Indoor masking required at all times (Note: speakers will be permitted to remove masks while presenting)
- Onsite masks, hand sanitizers, and testing will be made available as needed
- Main conference room well ventilated, with outdoor windows and doors kept open during conference hours
- As much outdoors space utilized as the conference schedule and weather permits
- Spaces for food & beverage consumption indoors kept at 50% capacity to allow for social distancing
- Attendees who experience symptoms, an exposure, or test positive should immediately contact the conference planning committee at 443-326-8906 for guidance.

This guidance is conditional on public health orders and conditions at the current time. If COVID rates are very high at the time of the conference, additional measures that will be considered include requiring a negative COVID-19 test for conference entry and, if necessary, converting to a virtual-only event.

We will continue to monitor the county risk levels and update our policy accordingly. Please visit the conference website for up-to-date communications.

Sincerely,
The NCSP 2022 Annual Meeting Planning Committee