**COVID-19 Acknowledgment for Penn State Programs**

You agree that as a condition, and in consideration, of your willing and voluntary participation in programs and activities (“Program”) hosted by The Pennsylvania State University (“Penn State”):

1. You understand that [Penn State](https://virusinfo.psu.edu/) has issued rules and precautions which follow, or may in some cases exceed, guidance from the [Centers for Disease Control](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html) (CDC) and the [Pennsylvania Department of Health](https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx). You agree that it is your sole responsibility to follow these protocols and acknowledge that failure to do so may result in removal from the Program.

As of [July 7, 2022](https://virusinfo.psu.edu/), this guidance includes basic health, safety, and sanitation measures (staying home when sick, washing/sanitizing hands often, etc.) in addition to **wearing a face mask while in healthcare facilities and** [**certain research facilities and labs**](https://virusinfo.psu.edu/faq/story/what-is-the-masking-policy-for-in-person-human-subjects-research/)**.**

Per CDC guidance, **Penn State may impose additional or alternative requirements, including masking at certain locations**, depending on community spread at the Program’s location. **You agree to comply with any directive from Penn State representatives regarding masking or other mitigation measures while participating in the Program.**

**You must adhere to these protocols regardless of vaccination status.**

1. You agree you will not participate in the Program if you are awaiting the results of a COVID-19 test or if you recently: (i) have been diagnosed with COVID-19; (ii) have experienced any symptom of illness which may be associated with COVID-19; or, (iii) have been in close contact with anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19, is awaiting the results of a COVID-19 test, or has exhibited any symptom of illness which may be associated with COVID-19 or any of its variants.
   1. If you fall into any of the above categories, you may nevertheless participate in the Program if:
      1. more than five days have passed since your last close contact or symptom; AND,
      2. you have tested negative for COVID-19 on or after the five-day mark.
2. You acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and your understanding that, even with adherence to all preventative measures, including vaccination, there is risk that you may become exposed to and/or contract COVID-19. You assume any and all risk of such exposure or infection and acknowledge that it may result in personal injury, illness, severe complications, permanent disability, and/or death.

[SIGNATURES REQUIRED FOR MINORS – ON NEXT PAGE/REVERSE]

**All minors (individuals under the age of 18) must print their names and a parent and/or legal guardian must sign, thereby certifying their guardianship and acknowledging the above, on their child’s behalf.**

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Printed Name(s) of Guest(s) (under the age of 18):

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Printed Name(s) of Parent/Guardian(s):

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Signature(s) of Parent/Guardian(s):

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