



## **2022 MNFEA CONFERENCE – COVID-19 MITIGATION GUIDELINES**

### **Updated as of March 21, 2022**

The Minnesota Festivals & Events Association prioritizes the health and safety of our members, sponsors, vendors, volunteers, and attendees. Below are the guidelines MNFEA is committed to in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to safely execute the 2022 in-person conference.

**As of Thursday, March 10, 2022, the Mayo Civic Center has lifted its mask mandate.**

#### **Before the Event**

By attending this event, you voluntarily assume all risks related to potential exposure to COVID-19, and you have acknowledged that you are not showing any of the symptoms related to COVID-19. At this time, proof of vaccination or recent negative test results are not required but strongly recommended.

#### **If you are feeling sick, we ask you to attend virtually.**

Signs/symptoms to be aware of for you or anyone in your household (within a 72 hours of the first day of the conference):

- A temperature equal to or greater than 100.4 degrees F
- New or worsening cough
- Shortness of breath or chest tightness
- Sore throat
- Vomiting/ diarrhea
- Extreme fatigue
- Loss of sense of taste or smell
- Persistent muscle aches
- Headaches

#### **In-Person Sessions**

While masks are not required to be worn by attendees, MNFEA will still implement the following protocols:

- Face masks will be made available at the registration desks for those who choose to wear them.
- Microphones, podium, computers and any other shared equipment will be sanitized following each speaker.
- Sufficient time will be allotted between each session to allow for socially distanced movement to/from restrooms, entrance and exit.
- Hand sanitizer will be available throughout the Conference venue.

#### **Trade Show Exhibits**

Exhibitors are welcome to distribute giveaways and are encouraged to sanitize their tables and surfaces regularly.

#### **Meals**

All meals will be provided by the Mayo Civic Center's catering service and will adhere to their established safety standards. We will follow COVID guidelines outlined by the venue and caterer.

**These guidelines will continue to be updated to align with the State of Minnesota, Minnesota Department of Health, and Mayo Civic Center guidelines, and are subject to change as needed.**