Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation (CCF) recommendations for COVID-19 safety

CCF is committed to maintaining the health and safety of all conference attendees. This year’s conference is being held both in-person and virtually, with online options available for those unable to travel to Salt Lake City.

If you choose to attend in person, we have implemented the following protocols for all conference attendees. Your attendance will be taken as confirmation that you agree to follow these guidelines and will be fully compliant with the rules set forth.

Please do not travel or attend in-person if any of the following apply:
- In the past 24 hours, have you experienced COVID-19 symptoms?
- You or people whom you have close contact with, like someone who lives in your house, a relative, a friend, or a co-worker
  - tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days or
  - had any COVID-19 symptoms in the previous 14 days?

CCF requests that all attendees wear masks at all times during the conference regardless of vaccination status to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses. Anyone who ignores the policy will be asked to leave the conference. We encourage you to wear masks while on transit vehicles and while waiting to ride, while inside any business, and outdoors where people are lining up.

Masks may be removed briefly in the following situations:
- When actively eating or drinking
- When speaking at the lectern (as the distance between the speaker and audience is greater than 6 feet), speakers should put their masks back on when not actively presenting (i.e., sitting at the head table on the dais).
- When being photographed or interviewed on camera by registered media or CCF staff.

Hand Sanitizer Stations
We will have hand washing facilities and sanitizing systems accessible to everyone throughout the event.

Spacing Measures
According to all venue, local, and state guidelines, social distancing practices will be implemented.

No Contact Policy
Please minimize physical contact whenever possible.

Health and Safety Signage
Signs will be placed to remind all attendees to social distance and frequently wash and sanitize their hands.

Screening
Vaccination is required to attend. If you have not submitted your vaccination record, please click here to upload it before checking in at the conference.
COVID Testing

To mitigate the spread of COVID-19, please do not attend in person if you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, such as fever, cough, headache, sore throat, runny nose, or shortness of breath. If these symptoms begin while you are at the conference, please go to your hotel room and call 706-750-7858 for assistance. On-site attendees must agree that they will immediately get tested for COVID-19 and cease participation in the meeting and all related events if they become symptomatic. Individuals who test positive will not be permitted to continue attending the meeting in person, although they will still have access to the virtual platform.

Positive Covid Test while attending CCF Annual Conference Policy

If you test positive at check-in or any point during the conference, the following policy will apply:

1. According to local public health regulations, all those who test positive will be immediately isolated and required to report to local public health officials. Local agencies may provide housing arrangements for those who need a safe place during isolation/quarantine.
2. On-site staff will be available to assist individuals who test positive. This assistance includes twice-daily wellness checks by phone, clarifying policies for isolating while on-site, facilitating safe and comfortable quarantine arrangements, providing information on local health care options as needed, and assisting in making changes to travel arrangements.
3. CCF staff responsibility is limited to ensuring that impacted participants receive the information to get tested, report to public health officials, and access local medical care providers. CCF cannot provide any medical advice.
4. All participants attend the event at their own risk. CCF and event organizers are not responsible for any costs incurred due to isolation or quarantine.