COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing Policy

All registered participants, attendees, vendors, and guests at all NAfME events, including the 2022 NAfME National Conference in National Harbor, Maryland, the NAfME Biennial Music and Research and Teacher Education Conference, the NAfME National PreK-12 Conference, and the NAfME All-National Honor Ensembles, are required to comply with measures to reduce risk of COVID-19 infection. Attendees must either:

1. Prior to arrival at the event, upload to NAfME’s third-party vendor App proof of having completed a primary course of vaccination against COVID-19 (with the final dose at least two weeks prior to the event), and display the App clearance for admittance to the event; -- OR --
2. Test negative on daily COVID-19 rapid antigen testing administered by an onsite nurse before entering the event, including prior to checking in at the registration desk, and present proof of that same-day negative test for admittance to the event. This option is available to anyone who has not been vaccinated against COVID-19 or prefers not to use the vendor App to upload their proof of having completed a primary course of vaccination against COVID-19 (with the final dose at least two weeks prior to the event), and display the App clearance for admittance to the event.

Verification of proof of vaccination and administration of COVID-19 rapid antigen tests will be handled through third-party vendors. NAfME will not retain or store any vaccination related information or COVID-19 testing results.

NAfME strongly encourages all attendees to take an at-home COVID-19 rapid antigen test prior to traveling to the event. Those who test positive for COVID-19 in the onsite testing will not be admitted to the event, will have to make arrangements to isolate in accordance with CDC guidance, and may experience travel plan disruptions as a result.

Attendees

All in person attendees will be required to adhere to NAfME COVID-19 safety protocols in effect at the time of the event. You will be notified of these protocols in advance of the event. Consistent with CDC guidance, NAfME will take into consideration local health conditions in setting its COVID-19 safety protocols. Further, NAfME reserves the right, at any time, to change or modify the required safety protocols in order to provide attendees, in its judgment, with a safe meeting environment. Failure of any attendee to comply with this policy and all applicable safety protocols, may result the attendee being removed, or denied entry, to the NAfME event. Attendees who test positive during the event will be expected to leave or denied entry to the event.

Attendees have been in close contact with a known case of COVID-19 or have recently recovered from COVID-19 should wear a well-fitting face mask when indoors until the later of ten (10) days following the date of the attendee’s exposure, first onset of symptoms, or first positive COVID-19 test. Attendees who experience symptoms of COVID-19 or test positive for COVID-19 while attending the event are asked to promptly exit the event.
Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support of our efforts to create a safe experience for everyone.

*The CDC strongly encourages all attendees to receive any recommended booster doses of COVID-19 vaccines when eligible. NAfME accepts proof of any COVID-19 vaccination authorized by the FDA or accepted by the WHO. For more information, consult https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/stay-up-to-date.html. Vaccines administered outside the U.S. that are accepted by the WHO are listed at https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/people-vaccinated-abroad.html.