BFI COVID-19 Safety Guidelines

BFI events are open to all invitees who are compliant with University of Chicago vaccination requirements and, because of ongoing health risks, particularly to the unvaccinated, participants are expected to adopt the risk mitigation measures (masking and social distancing, etc.) appropriate to their vaccination status as advised by public health officials or to their individual vulnerabilities as advised by a medical professional. Public convening may not be safe for all and carries a risk for contracting COVID-19, particularly for those unvaccinated. Participants will not know the vaccination status of others and should follow appropriate risk mitigation measures.

The University of Chicago complies with the Chicago Department of Public Health Travel Advisory. If you are unvaccinated and traveling from outside of Chicago, please review and comply with these requirements.

Please send the required documentation to bfi-events@uchicago.edu no later than 48 hours prior to the event.

University of Chicago Vaccine and Testing Requirements

All presenters and attendees must comply with vaccine or testing requirements before participating in on-campus, in-person activities.

UCHICAGO FACULTY, STAFF AND STUDENTS

UChicago employees and students are required to comply with UChicago vaccination requirements in order to engage in on-campus and in-person University activities; therefore, presentation of a current UChicago ID is an acceptable indicator of compliance.

OUTSIDE VISITORS AND GUESTS

Outside guests must complete a current attestation form (linked here), and one of the three following forms of documentation: (1) proof of vaccination; (2) proof of a negative COVID-19 test result taken with 72 hours of the event, or (3) proof of a positive COVID-19 test result dated 14-90 days prior to the event (detailed guidance below).

Proof of Vaccination

1. Name of Person Vaccinated appears on the document, and corresponds to another ID card, such as a passport or state identification card
2. Date of Vaccination(s) is included, and is the convening/event date is at least two weeks after a two-dose vaccine or two weeks after a one-dose vaccine
3. Vaccine manufacturer is FDA-approved (such as Pfizer, Moderna, J&J) or other World Health Organization approved. Current lists of approved vaccines are found here
4. Medical facility administering the vaccination is referenced

Proof of Negative COVID-19 Test Result

1. Name of Person Tested appears on the document, and corresponds to another ID card, such as a passport or state identification card
2. Date of Test is included, and is within the established recency required for the event (72 hours is common practice)
3. Test Results are indicated as NEGATIVE
4. Facility or online service administering the test is referenced
Proof of Recent POSITIVE COVID-19 Diagnosis

Persons recovering from COVID-19 may test with false Positive results for up to 90 days, and therefore may not be able to provide proof of a Negative test.

1. Name of Person Diagnosed appears on all documents, and corresponds to another ID card, such as a passport or state identification card
2. Proof of POSITIVE test result, dated 14 days or more prior to the event and no more than 90 days prior. Note that the Type of Test is not always specified on result documents

Your information will be stored in a secure University of Chicago Box folder and immediately deleted from our emails. Once the conference has adjourned, we will delete the information from our Box system.

Thank you in advance for your compliance and support of the University of Chicago guidance. Please don’t hesitate to contact us with questions at bfi-events@uchicago.edu.