



## American Glaucoma Society 2022 COVID Policy

Your safety is our priority. We are working diligently with our partners and vendors to ensure the necessary safety measures are in place. We are committed to creating a safe and healthy environment for all our attendees, exhibitors, and team members.

In keeping with CDC & local guidelines, the AGS 2022 Annual Meeting will have the following measures in place:

- **All persons attending the meeting in person must be fully vaccinated and show proof of full vaccination.** Full vaccination means it has been at least 2 weeks since you've received your second shot, 1<sup>st</sup> shot if J&J vaccine. For those that are not or are unable to be vaccinated, please join the AGS 2022 Meeting virtually.
- **Masks covering your nose and mouth MUST be worn in all indoor meeting spaces at all times** unless you are actively eating or drinking. Masks must be worn over the nose and mouth and be close fitting. Masks with valves and masks that have only 1 layer are not acceptable.
- In person attendees will have full access to a live broadcast of the general session through the Virtual Meeting Platform should they wish to join in from outside of the meeting space.
- Hand sanitizer will be available throughout the meeting space.
- The meeting rooms have been adjusted to increase physical distancing between attendees. These changes to room capacity may result in:
  - Limited capacity in Skills labs and breakout sessions
  - Traffic restrictions of the exhibit hall
- When possible, individually portioned items for meals and breaks will be provided.
- Health screening questions will be asked at badge pickup onsite.
- We will ask you if you agree to the AGS 2022 COVID Policy prior to the meeting AND onsite when you pick up your badge.
- Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms or a positive test should quarantine immediately and not attend any meeting functions. Call the hotel front desk for further quarantine instructions.
- **The nearest COVID-19 testing location is at Sameday Health**, 300 Jefferson St., Nashville, TN 37208 or Sameday Testing (Midtown) at 209 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Nashville, TN 37203. You can make an appointment but walk ins are welcome as well. Please see <https://booking.sameday-testing.com/> for scheduling and pricing. Hours: Mon-Fri: 7:30am-6:30 pm; Sat-Sun: 9:30am-7:30pm. Call ahead 310 – 697-8126. Test fees may apply.

### **Current Notices as of December 2021:**

**Hotel:** At all Hyatt hotels in the U.S., guests who are unvaccinated are required to wear face masks or coverings in hotel indoor public areas, as well as outdoors where social distancing is not feasible (with some limited exceptions).

**Nashville:** Masks are required inside all Metro Government buildings. Some businesses have specific policies that may require proof of vaccination, or a recent COVID-19 test. Please check ahead for current COVID-19 policies and procedures. All COVID-19 capacity restrictions were lifted on May 14, 2021.

### **Current CDC Recommendations 01/05/22:**

- Delay travel until you are fully vaccinated.
- Check your destination's COVID-19 situation before traveling. State, local, and territorial governments may have travel restrictions in place.
- Wearing a mask over your nose and mouth is required in indoor areas of public transportation (including airplanes) and indoors in U.S. transportation hubs (including airports).
- Do not travel if you have been exposed to COVID-19, you are sick, or if you test positive for COVID-19.
- If you are not fully vaccinated and must travel, get tested both before and after your trip.
- More tips from the CDC on travel recommendations: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/travel-during-covid19.html>

### **Grand Hyatt Nashville Hotel Information**

#### **Cleaning & Sanitation**

We are conducting regular—in many cases hourly—cleaning and sanitization of frequently touched surfaces and high-traffic guest and colleague areas such as elevators and elevator buttons, escalator handrails, and restrooms, as well as the surfaces and equipment in our gyms and spas. Cleaning and sanitization include the use of hospital-grade disinfectants as well as exploring and testing the use of electrostatic sprayers. We are also implementing enhanced cleaning protocols for guest rooms, including the removal of high-touch items and minimizing the number of times our hotel teams enter guest rooms. To minimize contact, some locations may have adjusted housekeeping services. Guests can indicate their housekeeping preferences upon check-in or anytime during their stay.

#### **Temperature & Wellbeing Checks**

Colleagues may be required to have a body temperature check each time they enter a hotel. Hyatt hotels may conduct guest temperature checks in compliance with local requirements or in light of community spread of COVID-19 in the hotel's area. Colleagues and guests may be asked to conduct wellbeing checks prior to arriving to the hotel. Colleagues and guests who are showing signs of COVID-19 and/or colleagues with a fever of 100.4 F (38 C) or greater will be advised to contact their healthcare

provider.

### Hand Hygiene & Social Distancing

Good hand hygiene is one of the most important steps individuals can take to protect themselves. Reminders on hand-washing techniques are located throughout the hotel, with hand sanitizer stations or sanitizing wipes also prominently placed throughout. Social distancing measures are strongly encouraged in hotel public areas such as elevators, fitness centers, airport shuttles and more, while many hotels are placing protective shields at the front desk and grab-and-go markets.

### Masks & Gloves

At all Hyatt hotels in the U.S., guests who are unvaccinated are required to wear face masks or coverings in hotel indoor public areas, as well as outdoors where social distancing is not feasible (with some limited exceptions). Hotel colleagues who are not vaccinated are still required to wear face masks indoors and outdoors.

All hotels are required to follow [state and local requirements](#), if stricter than Hyatt's recommended guidance. In light of the latest CDC guidance, Hyatt requests that fully vaccinated guests and colleagues wear face coverings in hotel indoor public areas at Hyatt hotels in the U.S. that are located in counties with substantial or high COVID-19 transmission rates, as designated by the CDC. Learn more about CDC transmission rate designations [here](#).

In all other countries across the Americas region, all guests are still required to wear face masks or coverings in hotel indoor public areas and when moving around in outdoor areas (with some limited exceptions). For more details and specific requirements, guests may visit our [COVID-19 Travel Updates page](#), contact their hotel directly, or visit the hotel website. Hyatt colleagues are required to wear face masks or coverings, as well as additional personal protective equipment based on job specifications. From front desk associates to housekeeping, spa therapists and kitchen staff, colleagues are trained on the importance of wearing protective gear and are taking additional safety precautions for guests and each other.

### Knock & Go Room Service

To promote safety for our guests and colleagues, all room service orders will be delivered to the door, unless otherwise indicated by the hotel. To minimize contact, our colleagues will knock on your door or ring your doorbell to notify you upon the delivery of your order. At some properties, grab-and-go options will be available.

### Food Safety Protocols

Our teams are implementing precautionary measures starting with food preparation to set-up and service, and enhancing food safety and hygiene protocols for restaurants, room service, and group meetings and events. We are frequently disinfecting kitchen surfaces, and colleagues are wearing masks and gloves when plating and serving made-to-order dishes. We have temporarily shifted many restaurants with a buffet offering to à-la-carte menus and made-to-order options.

## **Destination & Travel Information - Nashville International Airport (BNA)**

It's vital to stay vigilant to help keep each other safe during this difficult time of the COVID-19 pandemic. At Nashville International Airport, one measure that is required per federal mandate is to wear a face covering/mask inside the terminal and on BNA parking shuttles. Forgot your mask? Pick up one at either the North or South security checkpoint, free of charge.

Additionally, the following proactive measures are taking place at BNA:

- An around-the-clock, robust cleaning program that utilizes a variety of innovative tools and techniques.
- Installation of ticket counter shields, touchless elevator buttons and UV light sanitation on escalator handrails, additional hand sanitizing stations throughout the terminal, and air handlers.
- Promoting best prevention practices through social media, signage inside and outside of the terminal and intercom announcements.

**NOTE: BNA does not provide COVID testing or vaccinations.**

Travel questions? We recommend checking with the CDC to confirm the COVID-19 testing or quarantine requirements at your destination.

You can also check <https://bit.ly/3q1DGd5> for travel tips from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA).