

## 2021 Annual Conference COVID Protocols

*As of August 4, 2021*

FRPA pledges to closely monitor guidance from acceptable organizations on how to proceed offering as safe an environment as possible at the 2021 Annual Conference to be held at the Caribe Royale Resort in Orlando, Florida.

These protocols have been created with both those who have been vaccinated and those who have not been vaccinated in mind. Regardless of our individual feelings about COVID, as part of the FRPA family we must be mindful of the comfort level of others and make our decisions based on what is best for the community of conference attendees.

### General Guidance

If you answer “yes” to any of the questions below, we recommend that you consider whether attending the conference is best for you and for other delegates who will be attending the event:

- Have you traveled outside the continental United States since August 13, 2021?
- Have you taken any fever-reducing medicine such as Tylenol or Advil for fever since August 13, 2021?
- Have you tested positive for COVID-19 since August 13, 2021?
- Have you experienced a loss of taste or smell sensation since August 13, 2021?
- Have you experienced persistent pain or pressure in your chest since August 13, 2021?
- Have you been sick with a fever, cough, shortness of breath, or respiratory infection since August 13, 2021?
- Have you had close contact with someone who has – OR – is undergoing testing for COVID-19 since August 13, 2021?
- Are you currently awaiting COVID-19 test results?

### If during the FRPA Conference you feel you have an elevated temperature --

Please proceed to the FRPA registration area where digital thermometers will be available to take your temperature. If after hours, please call the front desk and ask to be connected to Eleanor Warmack’s room.

If you register 100.4 or higher, you will be directed to an FRPA staff member who will provide instructions on how to proceed. Instructions may include:

- For those staying at the Caribe, recommend you return to your hotel room and contact your personal physician for guidance.
- For those staying elsewhere in the Orlando area, recommend you return to that location and contact your personal physician for guidance.
- For those who are local, recommend you return home and contact your personal physician for guidance.
- We may be required by the hotel to provide your name and contact information to them so they can assure while you are quarantining on property or after you depart the hotel, that proper cleaning and protective measures are taken.

Prior to returning to classes or activities within the FRPA Conference, we ask that you be re-checked for a temperature of 100 or below.

### Why will I be asked to complete an evaluation form at every session?

This will serve as a record of attendance so should the need arise for us to notify attendees of a fellow delegate falling ill, we have a record of who may have come in contact with that individual.

### Should I notify others if I am feeling ill?

In order to avoid conference wide concern when it may not be warranted, we ask that you please contact the FRPA staff first who will assist you in contacting the appropriate hotel staff. Both FRPA and the hotel staff will follow direction provided by local health officials. This process will allow those involved to implement protocols directed/mandated by local health officials. Please do not follow protocols that may be familiar to you back in your home setting. Each county has a mandated method of response which is what FRPA and the hotel will be following.

**FRPA will follow any additional guidance provided by the staff of the CDC, Caribe Royale and local Orange County health officials. This may change, and as updates are provided we will notify conference delegates.**

For the comfort of all conference attendees, we ask that you follow the guidelines below, in addition to common guidance on washing and sanitizing hands:

**As of August 4, 2021, we will be requiring all delegates, exhibitors, and speakers to wear a mask at all times except when eating, or when presenting an educational session.**

**In order to make it easy for you to judge the personal comfort level of other conference attendees, we will be providing rubber band bracelets as follows:**

Red – please no close interaction.

Yellow – let's chat but please keep a safe distance.

Green – wearer is comfortable with close contact, handshakes and hugs.

So grab your comfort color at the registration desk when you pick up your packet.

**In addition, we have added the following protocols for the meeting space at the Caribe Royale:**

We have planned for more spacious seating, so delegates can be comfortable in those meeting rooms. We will have hand sanitizers conspicuously placed throughout the conference center, shields at our registration check in and at our speaker check in areas. The hotel is also taking all precautions possible to provide a safe environment. All of these measures will assist us in hosting as safe of an event as we can.

**Caribe Royale safety guidelines** - The Caribe Royale has released [this document](#) with their guidelines for safety.