



Meeting Protocols for USET-sponsored Events

	Level of COVID-19 Risk in the Community		
	Low	Medium	High
Indoor Masking¹ Required	No	No, but recommended in public spaces (initially)	Yes, in public spaces
Physical Distancing Required	No	No	Yes, and limit event size according to room capacity
Ventilation and Filtration <i>Assessing the ventilation/filtration system at event locations is recommended.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No additional measures needed Maintain normal standards of ventilation and filtration (i.e., HVAC) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Portable HEPA air cleaners used in public spaces, if available from facility Consider mitigation efforts such as holding social events outside or with windows open to increase ventilation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Portable HEPA air cleaners used in public spaces, if available from facility Implement additional ventilation and filtration measures as needed Consider mitigation efforts such as holding social events outside or with windows open to increase ventilation
Vaccination Requirements <i>Will be re-assessed in 3 months for USET-sponsored events.</i>	Confirmation of up-to-date ² participant vaccination required	Confirmation of up-to-date ² participant vaccination required	Confirmation of up-to-date ² participant vaccination required
Testing Requirements	Testing is not required for participation; self-tests will be available during the event. Self-testing 5 days after returning home is encouraged.		

¹ Masking refers to use of well-fitting, high-quality masks such as the N95 and KN95.

² “Up-to-date” means that you have completed your primary series AND received all boosters that you are currently eligible for. If you’ve been vaccinated but it’s not yet time for your booster, you are up to date. However, if you are overdue for your booster, you are no longer up to date.

Adapted from “[Riding the Waves: \(De\)implementation of Public Health Mitigation Layers](#)” by Katelyn Jetelina, MPH, PhD; Eve Bloomgarden, MD; Chana Davis, PhD; Maria Clayman, MPH, PhD.

- References**
- [COVID-19 Risk Transmission Calculator - Harvard Healthy Buildings](#)
 - [USET TEC COVID-19 Guidance 2021-02: Recommendations for Re-opening: Improving Indoor Air Quality to Prevent COVID-19](#)
 - [Efficacy of Portable Air Cleaners and Masking for Reducing Indoor Exposure to Simulated Exhaled SARS-CoV-2 Aerosols, United States, 2021 - CDC MMWR](#)
 - [Ventilation in Buildings - CDC](#)