



## Health and Safety Protocols at the 2021 DSA Conference

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### Before You Arrive

1. **Proof of Vaccination** – All attendees are **required to show proof of full vaccination against COVID-19** before retrieving their badge for the in-person 2021 DSA Conference.
  - o **Submitting Proof of Vaccination** – Attendees must upload their vaccine card securely via HealthShield (powered by 42chat). Your vaccine cards must be **uploaded by October 8**. Registrants will receive these directions directly via email.
  - o At least 14 days must have passed since your last dose to be considered fully vaccinated. Therefore, you must have received the final dose of a COVID-19 vaccine **prior to September 30, 2021. There will be no exceptions.**
  - o **International Attendees:** The documented vaccine MUST BE one that is approved/authorized by a relevant national medical authority. Check if your vaccine has been approved by the [World Health Organization](#).
  - o The **CDC does not recommend travel** until you are fully vaccinated.
2. **General Wellness** – We ask all attendees to be vigilant in [monitoring their health](#). If you are experiencing [COVID-19 symptoms](#), or have been in close contact with someone who has had COVID-19 in the 14 days before the meeting, **please do not attend in-person.**

### What to Expect Onsite for the Duration of the Meeting

1. **Masks** – Attendees will be required to wear a [CDC-approved mask](#) that [covers both your nose and mouth](#) for all indoor events. If a safe distance of 6-feet can be maintained between audience and presenter, the presenter may remove her mask for the duration of presentation only.

- We will have additional masks on hand if you misplace one of yours.
  - Masks are optional for outdoor events.
  - Masks can be removed during eating, while seated.
2. **Increased Hygiene and Sanitization** – The Hyatt Regency New Brunswick and New Brunswick Performing Arts Center will offer enhanced cleaning procedures. DSA will provide hand sanitation stations.
  3. **Daily Health Attestation** – As an attendee, you will be asked to provide an attestation every day that you are symptom-free. When you upload your proof of vaccination, you will be requested to confirm your cell phone number. Every morning you will receive a notice via text asking you to answer a few health questions. If you pass the check, you will receive confirmation that you passed and show that confirmation to staff at the registration desk. After confirming your health attestation with staff, you will then receive the day's color sticker for your badge.
  4. **Health Sticker Checks for Each Session** – When attending sessions, you will need to present your badge and that day's color sticker. Badge checkers at every session room entrance will ensure you have the day's color sticker, or you will not be permitted into any meeting rooms.

## What Should I Know While in New Brunswick?

1. You may check the City of New Brunswick's city government city for updates and news: <https://www.cityofnewbrunswick.org/>
2. You may check the Rutgers University COVID-19 information website for news and updates: <https://coronavirus.rutgers.edu/>
  - a. Testing sites for walk-up appointments listed here