



About Safe Expo

Born in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, Safe Expo offers pre-event health planning support, onsite implementation, and post-event health monitoring.

For the events industry to get "back to business", organizations, meeting attendees, and vendors need assurances that their health and safety are a priority and attending will not put them at unnecessary risk.

Led by event industry veterans, Safe Expo developed a robust monitoring program that captures potential outbreaks that could be sourced back to an event. In partnership with medical professionals, local and state health departments, our goal is to identify as early as possible if someone may have been exposed to an infected individual while attending a meeting or event.

Safe Expo's Chief Medical Advisor, Brian Schroer, MD, is board certified in allergy and immunology, internal medicine, and pediatrics. He has been in practice for 10 years in Northeast Ohio and sees patients with all forms of allergic and immunologic diseases. Dr. Schroer completed his undergraduate studies at Duke University, attended medical school in his home state at the University of South Florida, and completed his residency training at The Ohio State University. His allergy and immunology training was completed at Cleveland Clinic.

MISSION: Safe Expo's mission is to provide the tools and resources that will help our industry return to live meetings. Using recommendations from the CDC, NIH, WHO and organizations that are leaders in their fields from health safety to outbreak prevention, our team will return confidence and peace of mind to attending meetings and events.

VISION: Promote health safety allowing Show Organizers, Attendees and Venues to convene in a safe and healthy meeting environment.

VALUE: Safety, Privacy, Teamwork

Safe Expo's Health and Safety Recommendations for GSX

Safe Expo has developed a Health & Safety plan in conjunction with ASIS's commitment to protecting the health and safety of all participants at Global Security Exchange (GSX) 2021 through multiple measures. With careful consideration we have recommended the following practices to allow for an event experience where all stakeholders can safely and effectively

learn, conduct business, and network. All attendees, exhibitors, speakers, sponsors, staff, and vendors are required to follow ASIS health and safety guidelines at all times during their stay in Orlando.

Face Masks Required

Face masks are required for all participants for the duration of GSX while inside OCCC. Masks with vents, holes, or filters, as well as gaiter neck masks, are not permitted. Three-ply masks are recommended. Face masks must be worn at all times in the OCCC, except when actively eating or drinking. If attendees arrive without a mask, one will be provided. Individuals who refuse to wear a face mask will not be permitted entry into GSX.

The Safe Expo staff will remind people who arrive to the screening area that masks are required inside the OCCC. The GSX Ops Team has also asked the local chapter and ASIS staff to assist with friendly reminders. The mandate will mostly be “enforced” for non-compliance by ASIS Security / OCCC Security.

Safe Expo has recommended no waivers. Anyone not able to comply with the full health and safety requirements would be directed to the Digital Program.

Optional VaxPass

Prior to arrival at the Orange County Convention Center (OCCC), all attendees, exhibitors, speakers, sponsors, staff, and vendors are encouraged to submit an optional proof of vaccination which allows for the bypassing of daily health attestations.

Health Attestations

Upon arrival each day at OCCC, all attendees, exhibitors, speakers, sponsors, staff, and vendors will be required to complete a quick four-question health attestation on a mobile phone or tablet. Individuals who have been approved to participate in the VaxPass program are not required to participate in the daily health attestations.

Frequent Cleaning

ASIS will be following guidelines from the CDC and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) for health screenings, sanitizing, and frequent hand washing.

Signage/Social Distancing

In staging/check-out areas at the OCCC, floors are marked to help guide social distancing and physically separate and increase distance between employees and patrons. Seating in Learning Theaters has also been configured to permit social distancing.

On-Site COVID-19 Testing

COVID-19 Rapid Antigen (\$50) and Rapid Molecular (\$150) testing will be available on-site, provided by Safe Expo. Attendees can schedule an appointment via an online.

Contact Tracing

If a significant number of those in attendance are found to have tested positive within 14 days post-GSX, all attendees, exhibitors, speakers, sponsors, staff, and vendors will be notified.

Listed below are Orange County Convention Center (OCCC) links detailing their health and safety protocols:

- [Recovery and Resiliency Guidelines](#)
- [Global Biorisk Advisory Council's \(GBAC\) Star Accreditation](#)
- [Orlando Health](#)

Additional OCCC links:

- [Orange County Convention Center Health and Safety \(Updated Aug. 31, 2021\)](#)
- [Meeting Safely Today for a Stronger Tomorrow video](#)
- [FAQ's](#)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:

- [Coronavirus Disease 2019](#)

With these measures and plan in place, Safe Expo is confident GSX can host a safe and healthy event in Orlando. If you have any questions or need any additional information from Safe Expo, please do not hesitate to reach out directly to me at 703.930.5452 or you can email Matt@SafeExpo.Org

Together in Safety,



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