



HEALTH AND SAFETY ARE OUR PRIORITIES

The MASFAA 2021 Conference will be held in-person on November 18 – 19, 2021 at the Hotel 1620 in Plymouth, Massachusetts. We would like to express our gratitude to our members, exhibitors, service partners and the Hotel 1620 in Plymouth for their efforts in safely planning an in-person conference experience.

MASFAA and the Hotel 1620 are committed to adhering to the state of Massachusetts and Town of Plymouth guidelines (in accordance with CDC guidelines) as listed below.

Mask Guidance

Effective May 29, 2021

All industries will be permitted to open. With the exception of remaining face-covering requirements for public and private transportation systems and facilities housing vulnerable populations, all industry restrictions will be lifted, and capacity will increase to 100% for all industries. The gathering limit will be rescinded.

All industries will be encouraged to follow CDC guidance for cleaning and hygiene protocols.

Face Covering Guidance

Non-vaccinated individuals are advised to continue wearing face masks and to continue distancing in most settings. The advisory will also recommend fully vaccinated individuals no longer need to wear a face covering or social distance indoors or outdoors except for in certain situations.

Face coverings will still be required for all individuals on public and private transportation (including rideshares, livery, taxi, ferries, MBTA, Commuter Rail and transportation stations), healthcare facilities and providers, congregate care settings and health and rehabilitative day services.

Face coverings will also remain required indoors for staff and students of K-12 schools and early education providers.

The state is not taking a position that COVID vaccines will be required and nor are they planning a state-issued vaccine 'passport'.

Hotel 1620 – COVID Response Banquets and Events

- Sanitation stations in all meeting rooms
- Masks available for attendees
- Meeting rooms sprayed with sanitizer each evening after sessions
- AV Equipment sprayed after each use
- All banquet employees in masks and gloves
- Rooms will be spaced out as much as possible
- Hand sanitizer dispensers located throughout public spaces

Comfort Stickers

MASFAA will provide comfort stickers to be used by attendees to indicate their comfort level (i.e., red – no contact & wave hello; yellow – fist bumps & elbows; green – high fives & handshakes). Each attendee will receive a set of all three stickers to use based on how they're feeling each day.

Mutual Respect and Consideration

Out of respect and consideration for your fellow attendees, we ask that you not photograph or attempt to "shame" attendees who in your opinion are non-compliant (i.e., not wearing a mask). Please bear in mind that this year's conference is being offered in-person only and we urge you to choose if you are comfortable in this format.

While this is an evolving situation, MASFAA will continue monitoring it and immediately provide any important updates.

Thank you in advance for extending grace to each other as we all navigate unprecedented territory.