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## Health & Safety

### UPDATED: April 2024

AOA is looking forward to welcoming attendees to the Annual Business Meeting and House of Delegates meeting. The safety of attendees is of top priority. AOA is working closely with the Chicago Marriott to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience at the 2024 Annual Business Meeting and House of Delegates.

It is assumed in-person attendees are vaccinated and asymptomatic. If you develop symptoms prior to the meeting or during the meeting, please cease attending in-person activities and notify the AOA.

Masks are currently not required to be worn indoors at the Chicago Marriott.

### GENERAL QUESTIONS

Will I be required to wear a mask?

Per the City of Chicago guidelines masks are no longer required to be worn indoors.

Will PPE (Personal Protection Equipment) be provided?

Attendees will be responsible for bringing their own Personal Protection Equipment should they choose to wear it.

Will there be onsite COVID-19 tests available to attendees at the Chicago Marriott Magnificent Mile?

A very limited supply of COVID-19 tests will be available for attendees to pickup from the 7<sup>th</sup> floor registration counter.

What precautions are being implemented for the safety and health of attendees?

- Enhanced cleaning protocols for AOA meeting and event spaces.
- Marriott's [Commitment to Clean](#) provides standard cleaning practices at all Marriott hotels.



## **AOA Welcomes All DOs and OMSs**

The AOA is committed to ensuring a rewarding experience for all meeting attendees by providing a safe space where all identities, backgrounds, and experiences will be welcomed, respected, and celebrated.

The osteopathic profession has a long and proud history of advancing diversity, with an emphasis on working to address health disparities that have a disproportionate impact on minority communities. Building on this foundation, the AOA has established organizational policies and strategies focused on targeting all areas where discrimination exists, including race, ethnicity, nationality, gender, sexual identity, and disability.

The AOA will continue working on the front lines to protect and defend the rights of all members of the osteopathic profession and the patients they serve.