



Effective Altruism Global

EA Global: Washington, D.C. 2022 | COVID Policy

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Summary: We require attendees to be doubly vaccinated, and encourage folks to get a booster shot if they can. Additionally, attendees will be asked, but not required, to take a rapid test before coming to the event.

If you test positive at EA Global: Washington, D.C., please fill out [this form](#), which will automatically populate this [Google sheet](#) with an anonymized summary of the sessions you attended.

This protocol may be updated to reflect the latest government and local state policies.

We considered the venue rules along with local and federal requirements when drafting this protocol.

It is possible that our guidance may change between now and the event. Please check back regularly and consider whether travel insurance or other contingencies might be useful to your planning.

If you feel uncomfortable coming to an EA Global due to concerns about contracting or spreading COVID (or for any other reason), you can get a full refund on your ticket at any time. Most people will have a ticket release button in their acceptance email, but if you cannot see this then please ping hello@global.org.

Vaccination

We require all attendees to be fully vaccinated. You must have proof of full vaccination with a full course of an approved vaccine.

- You must have had your final dose of the vaccine at least 14 days before you attend the event. The day you had your final dose does not count as one of the 14 days.
- Proof of natural immunity will not be accepted as an alternative to proof of vaccination.

We strongly encourage you to get a booster shot, if it is available to you.

Travel advice

As of June 12 2022, test requirements for air travelers to the United States are no longer required — and you do not need to quarantine on arrival (see [here](#) for more details).

Other countries may have rules about what you need to do to leave the country to travel to the United States, or what you may need to do to return to your country of origin. The CDC currently does not require individuals to take a COVID test to leave the United States, but you should check the travel requirements for the country you are returning to.

Onsite protocols

- Attendees who are sick or exhibiting symptoms of COVID will be asked to stay home and will be offered a full refund. If you are testing positive for COVID, do not attend the event.
- Attendees will not be required to provide proof of a negative test on entry, but we encourage all attendees to take a lateral flow test beforehand (within 48 hours of entry). Masks and daily testing are not required, but optional KN95 masks, surgical masks, and lateral flow test kits will be available on site if you need them.
- All of CEA's vendors and contractors must adhere to the current COVID guidelines set out by the local and federal governments. We are doing our best to ensure that all vendors and contractors will be vaccinated.
- We plan to allow minors to attend the conference, including children who are too young to be vaccinated. We estimate that fewer than 10 children below vaccination age will be present.

If you test positive for COVID

If you test positive for COVID at any point during or shortly after EA Global:

- Please leave the venue immediately and return to your hotel or other accommodation. *If you have traveled to Washington, D.C. for the conference, we will reimburse you for any extra travel or accommodation costs that arise should you be stuck in town due to contracting COVID (assuming you are unable to easily return home while positive).*
- **Please fill out [this form](#)** that will let us know which events you attended and precisely when you tested positive, as well as collect any information relevant to any reimbursements or refunds you may require. This will automatically populate a [Google sheet](#) with an anonymized summary of the sessions they attended.
- We encourage you to reach out to any attendees you had meetings with to let them know you have tested positive as we are not planning to do any direct person to person contact tracing ourselves.

As always, please ping hello@eaglobal.org if you have any questions or issues.

