

## COVID-19 & PANDEMIC POLICY Updated: August 6, 2021

To ensure a safe and healthy environment for Trauma Informed School Conference (TISC) presenters, attendees, exhibitors, and the Beyond Consequences Institute (BCI) staff, by registering, you agree to all of the following COVID-19 requirements:

- 1. All TISC attendees who enter the St. Charles Convention Center (SCCC), at any time, shall:
  - a) comply with all current local and state government requirements and guidance regarding COVID-19;
  - b) comply with any health checks that may be required by BCI prior to being given access to the SCCC;
  - c) observe all social distancing protocols in accordance with local and state government guidelines or BCI guidance in place at the time;
  - d) maintain personal hygiene including, but not limited to, regularly washing your hands, using hand sanitizer, and observing coughing and tissue etiquette.
  - e) stay home or in your hotel room if you feel sick or exhibit any COVID-19 symptoms as outlined by the CDC.
- 2. BCI will require proof of each participant's COVID-19 vaccination in full from either Pfizer, Moderna, or Johnson & Johnson dated at least three weeks prior to the first day of the conference. This means two doses of either the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines or one dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. If you have not been fully vaccinated for COVID-19 by September 26, 2021 or you cannot show proof of your COVID-19 vaccination, you will not be allowed to enter the event. No exceptions. You will be given a partial refund and access to the virtual live-streaming option. Full refunds will not be given.
  - If, however, there is a change in the State of Missouri laws and/or regulations regarding the requirement of being fully vaccinated, we will modify this requirement accordingly.
- 3. If you are unable to provide proof of vaccination during check-in at the inperson conference, you can join the virtual conference from the comfort of your hotel room or home. No refunds will be issued.

- 4. Currently, masks will not be required while attending the conference. However, if masks are required by the local or state government, this mandate will be non-negotiable. If you have a medical condition that prevents you from wearing a mask, then we ask you attend our virtual conference.
  - If masks are required, masks must be fitted and secured and must cover both the nose and mouth. Loose or open scarves/handkerchiefs are not considered a secured mask and will not be permitted. BCI staff members hold the right to determine whether your mask meets the acceptability standards or not. If you are asked by a BCI staff member to wear your mask properly or to replace your mask with one provided by BCI, you agree to cordially accept the request without argument or any other type of disagreements, whether overt or covert. If you do not comply with this requirement, you will be escorted out of the conference by security and no refund will be given.
- 5. BCI cannot require the SCCC staff, hotel employees, or their contracted staff to wear masks due to local regulations. You agree to this condition by signing up for TISC.
- 6. This COVID-19 & Pandemic Policy may be updated at any time to reflect current standards and/or requirements. By attending this event, you agree to any updated policies. You have the right to continually check our website for the updated policy. <a href="https://www.tiscoor.org/">www.tiscoor.org/</a>