ASTR Health and Safety Statement  
2021 ASTR Annual Conference

ASTR continues to monitor the changing landscape regarding CDC COVID-19 safety protocols and are in communication with our local partners, the San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau, and our host hotel the Westin San Diego Gaslamp District for overall guidance and local updates. Our goal is your well-being and to create a safe and comfortable environment for all attendees.

As voted by ASTR’s Executive Committee in April 2021, attendance at the conference will require full vaccination OR a negative COVID-19 test (taken with 12 hours of arrival) to enter this year’s conference.

Presently, the State of California is requiring all individuals, regardless of vaccine status, to wear masks in all public indoor spaces. While traveling, all attendees will need to follow all local regulations at airports and while using ground and public transportation.

ASTR has committed to 30-minute breaks between sessions to allow for additional cleaning in meeting rooms, hand sanitizer stations, and 3’ between all chairs in meeting rooms. ASTR will provide updates closer to the conference on venue and local guidelines and regulations and adjust, as necessary. ASTR also understands that for many this may be the first time that you attend a large group function and that everyone’s level of comfort may be different. We encourage you to attend the social functions that you feel comfortable attending and continue to wear a mask and social distance as you see fit for your comfort level.

The Westin Hotel, as part of the Marriott brand, is committed to Marriott’s Commitment to Clean. Click here to review their commitment.

Although things have been opening and regulations have been lifted in many areas, ASTR understands that things are fluid, and we will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as needed and communicate such with the membership and conference audience to ensure that we meet safely and provide a comfortable environment for all attendees.