

2022 Gentle Teaching International Conference COVID-19 Information

The health and safety of all visitors to 2022 Gentle Teaching International Conference remains our top priority. We are closely monitoring government mandates, policy changes and local and venue guidelines along with public health announcements. As information pertaining to the virus continues to develop, we will adjust our approach as needed and keep you up to date with new developments to ensure a coordinated effort and a safe environment for all GTI 2022 conference attendees.

During your attendance at Gentle Teaching International Conference, you will be required to support our COVID-19 Safety Measures, and strictly follow our COVID-19 policies and procedures. These policies and procedures may be modified at any time in advance of or during the Gentle Teaching International Conference.

COVID-19 Vaccinations

The Gentle Teaching International Conference 2022 will continue to follow state, local and venue requirements. The 2022 Gentle Teaching International Conference is being held in Ann Arbor, MI **where as of August 3, 2022, proof of vaccination is not required to enter indoor venues. Attendees should know that some local businesses may have their own requirements requiring masks and/or vaccination.**

Face Coverings

We will continue to follow [state and local guidelines](#). In Ann Arbor, Michigan **as of August 3, 2022**, face masks are not required while in most public indoor settings. At the Gentle Teaching International Conference, face masks will be optional and individuals will be able to wear a mask if they choose. Face masks will be available in the registration area for conference participants. Attendees should know that some local businesses may have their own requirements requiring masks.

Hand Sanitizer Stations

We will have hand washing facilities and/or sanitizing systems easily accessible to everyone throughout the event.

No Contact Policy

To assist in minimizing potential physical contact, elbow bumps are a great alternative to handshakes.

Social Distancing

Social distancing and frequent hand washing/sanitation is strongly encouraged.

Health Monitoring

All conference attendees are encouraged to monitor their health before and during the conference. It is strongly recommended that attendees take a COVID test and produce a negative result prior to travelling to the conference. If you feel ill or begin to exhibit any symptoms that could be related to COVID-19, **please isolate immediately and refrain from participation in conference activities.** Rapid COVID-19 antigen tests will be available during the conference upon request as well as information on where to obtain a PCR test.

Hotel Protocols

The Gentle Teaching International Conference 2022 is being held at the Kensington Hotel in Ann Arbor, MI. There are hand sanitizing stations throughout the hotel and banquet areas. Hotel rooms will be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized prior to arrival. During your stay, housekeeping staff will not be entering rooms to clean, unless upon request. Guests can ask for additional items to be brought to their rooms.

Waiver of Lawsuit/Release of Liability:

COVID-19 WARNING, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, WAIVER OF RISK AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION FOR ATTENDING THE GENTLE TEACHING INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN.

WARNING RELATED TO COVID-19 INFECTION

- The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic and is very contagious.
- COVID-19 can cause serious and potentially life-threatening illness and even death.
- The Gentle Teaching International Conference has taken and will continue to take all reasonable precautions to prevent against the presence and spread of the disease but cannot and does not guarantee against exposure; and therefore, in choosing to attend the GTI Conference you acknowledge that you are assuming a risk that you may be exposing yourself to COVID-19 and its potential health risks.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK

- I have read and understand the above warning concerning COVID-19. I acknowledge that attending the GTI Conference is of value to me and that I accept the risk of being exposed to COVID-19 in order to attend. Therefore, I choose to accept the risk of exposure to COVID-19 and I agree that I am personally responsible for my safety and actions while attending the GTI Conference.

WAIVER OF LAWSUIT/ RELEASE OF LIABILITY

- I, for myself, my family, successors, and assigns hereby forever release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue Gentle Teaching International or MORC, Inc., its board of directors, board members, officers, agents, servants, affiliates, employees, successors, and assigns (collectively the “Released Parties”) from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action whatsoever, directly or indirectly arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, that may be sustained by me related to COVID-19 while participating in any activity associated with the Gentle Teaching International Conference.

INDEMNIFICATION

- I agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Released Parties from and against any and all costs, expenses, damages, claims, lawsuits, judgments, losses, and/or liabilities (including attorney fees) arising either directly or indirectly from or related to any and all claims made by or against any of the Released Parties due to bodily injury, death, loss of use, monetary loss, or any other injury from or related to my attendance at the Gentle Teaching International Conference specifically related to COVID-19.