

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Am I required to be vaccinated to attend the AAGL Global Congress?

A: Attendees will be required to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination, or a negative clinically administered COVID-19 test result taken within 72 hours prior to attending the Global Congress.

Q: What types of vaccines are accepted for verification?

A: The following vaccines are accepted for verification and have been authorized by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) or World Health Organization (WHO): Pfizer, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson/Janssen, AstraZeneca, Sinopharm-BBIBP, Sinovac, and Novavax.

Q: Do I have to be fully vaccinated?

A: Yes. Full vaccination means a person has received all the required doses of an FDA-authorized COVID-19 vaccine (two doses of the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines, or one dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine) or a WHO-authorized COVID-19 vaccine series, and 14 days have passed since the final dose.

Q: Can I still attend the Global Congress if I'm partially vaccinated?

A: Attendees who are not yet vaccinated, have only received one dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or are not yet beyond the two-week minimum fully vaccinated window, must still provide a negative clinically administered COVID-19 test for entry.

Q: Do I need to bring my actual vaccine card?

A: In addition to your official CDC-issued or country of origin vaccination card, a photo or digital version of your official vaccine card with your name and dates of doses, including the date the last dose was administered printed on the card, will also be accepted. We highly encourage attendees to take a photo of your vaccine card and be ready to present it on your phone to our staff on-site.

Q: What types of negative clinically administered COVID-19 tests will be accepted?

A: Showing digital or printed documentation of a negative molecular test (also called a PCR test) or antigen test (also called a rapid test) within the 72 hours prior to arrival at the Austin Convention Center qualifies as an alternative to proof of full vaccination. Documentation must be from a testing agent such as a laboratory, health care provider, or pharmacy. Self-administered rapid tests will not be accepted.

Q: What if I cannot be vaccinated for medical/religious reasons or have children who are not yet eligible?

A: Attendees without vaccination records must display a negative clinically administered COVID-19 test result taken within 72 hours prior to arrival at the Austin Convention Center to be granted entry into the Congress.

Q: What is the mask policy for the Congress?

A: Until further notice, in accordance with the current Texas state laws, masks are optional. The AAGL encourages everyone to be responsible and respect those that wish to wear a mask and or observe social distancing. This is regardless of vaccination status and includes both indoor and outdoor areas of the Austin Convention Center.

Q: Are AAGL Staff vaccinated?

A: All AAGL staff (including A/V Staff and support personnel) will be required to provide vaccination status, or a negative clinically administered COVID-19 test result to work at the Congress.

Q: Where can I get a COVID-19 test?

A: If you are not vaccinated then proof of a negative COVID-19 test is required. For those traveling from out of the country a negative test result from your country of origin taken within 72 hours of your

arrival is required. When returning to your country of origin you may be required to show proof of a negative COVID-19 test. The following is a list of testing locations conveniently located near the Austin Convention Center:

- **Downtown Doctor – Freeman Medical Clinic**
1611 W. 5th Street
Phone: 512-391-9400
<https://freemanmedicalclinic.com/>

- **Walgreen's Pharmacy**
https://www.walgreens.com/findcare/covid19/testing?ban=covid_vanity_testing
2 Locations:
 - 2501 S Lamar Blvd, Austin, TX 78704
[512-443-7534](tel:512-443-7534)

 - 1920 E RIVERSIDE DR, Austin, TX 78741
512-326-5228

- **CVS Pharmacy**
<https://www.cvs.com/minuteclinic/clinic-locator/tx/austin/coronavirus-testing.html>
2610 Lake Austin Blvd, Austin, TX 78703
[512- 477-1261](tel:512-477-1261)

- Total Men's Primary Care (they provide services to all genders)
<https://totalmens.com/locations/austin/total-mens-primary-care-downtown/>
823 Congress Avenue, #125
Phone: 512-229-1533

Q: When and where do I need to show my proof of vaccination or negative clinically administered COVID-19 test upon arrival?

A: Upon arrival at the Austin Convention Center, the first checkpoint all attendees must go through "Station 1 – COVID Health & Safety" located outside of Exhibit Hall 4 on Level 1 to verify their vaccination or negative COVID test prior to registration. Once verified, if you have pre-registered, you will proceed to the pre-reg desk to pick up your badge and Congress materials. If you have not yet registered, you will make your way to the on-site registration desk.