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CONFERENCE UPDATE

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One of our key priorities is your safety and health. Our team is monitoring the Coronavirus situation regularly and gauging the potential risks. We're also working closely with The Stafford Centre, who confirmed that they are following or exceeding guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The Stafford Centre is located in Fort Bend County, therefore we will look to that County and The City of Stafford for their guidance as well.

As of today, we're still looking forward to seeing you at our 2020 conference. Because the ETC is a local event that draws attendees within driving distance, overall risk should be reduced. As we get closer to the date of the event, if the situation warrants, we will make appropriate decisions at that time.

A great source regarding COVID-19 is the [CDC Coronavirus Information Page](#).

Currently, we are at a [Watch Level 1](#). This means the CDC does not recommend canceling or postponing travel to destinations with level 1 travel notices because the risk of COVID-19 is thought to be low.

According to the CDC, the following actions can help prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- Avoid contact with sick people.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Clean your hands often by washing them with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains 60%–95% alcohol.

Check back [here](#) for any updates on the conference.

Also, below please find information from the Stafford Centre & the City of Stafford about their Safety Precautions.



SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AT THE STAFFORD CENTRE

The Stafford Centre is committed to protecting the health and safety of our clients, visitors, employees and business partners. We are currently following guidance provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, as well as local and state public health authorities, to safeguard your health and well-being. In light of the recent coronavirus (CORVID-19) presence, we have implemented a set of protocols designed to prevent communicable sicknesses. In recent weeks, our staff has and will be:

- Deep cleaning and disinfecting of the facility, along with an ongoing vigilant plan for cleaning and disinfecting high-volume, high-touch areas.
- Installation of hand-sanitizing stations throughout the Theatre & Convention Center to allow visitors to sanitize their hands more frequently;
- Coordinate and communicate with the City of Stafford Health Department to ensure we receive the latest Centers for Disease Control and Prevention updates and protocols;
- Distribute critical information among staff members and business partners to help mitigate communicable sicknesses throughout the venue.

BEST PRACTICES TO STOP THE SPREAD OF ANY RESPIRATORY VIRUS

- Wash your hands often with soap and water or hand sanitizer for at least 20 seconds;
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands;
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick;
- Stay home when you are sick;
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash;
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

We will continue to monitor the situation and follow recommendations of health officials as it develops. Be assured we will keep you apprised.