

## 2021 NADSA Conference COVID-19 Protocols

The 2021 NADSA Conference will strive to provide the safest environment possible for all attendees. The conference will comply with guidelines issued by the Sheraton Inner Harbor Hotel (which follows Marriott Corporation guidelines) as well as those issued by the State of Maryland, City of Baltimore and the CDC. Protective masks will be available, hand sanitizer will be distributed throughout the conference areas, and meals/food service will be tightly managed to minimize exposure. NADSA is committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of all attendees and will regularly update its protocols in accordance with the CDC and state/local guidelines.

Effective August 9, 2021, a new Health Order issued by Baltimore City Health Commissioner Dr. Letitia Dzirasa requires Baltimore City residents and visitors to wear masks while indoors. NADSA expects all attendees at the conference to comply with this health order.

NADSA Conference Sponsor **DB Protective** is providing its exclusive, patent pending, individually wrapped surgical face masks (level 1), with a neck lanyard to hang on the neck while not using (while eating for example), to avoid losing it, or putting on a surface that might get it infected. Please view the following link to view it - [Individually Wrapped Hangin Disposable 3-Ply Face Masks with Neck Lanyard](#) (please make sure to scroll down and view the video).

### Marriott Corporation

#### Face Coverings

The staff at the Sheraton Inner Harbor wear facial covering in accordance with Marriott's policies and the health order issued by the City of Baltimore.

#### Surface Areas and Public Spaces

In public spaces, the company has added to its already rigorous cleaning protocols, requiring that surfaces are treated with hospital-grade disinfectants and that this cleaning is done with increased frequency. In guest rooms, Marriott has added to its detailed cleaning practices, requiring all surfaces to be thoroughly cleaned with hospital-grade disinfectants. The company will also be placing disinfecting wipes in each room for guests' personal use. These new enhanced cleaning technologies including electrostatic sprayers to sanitize surfaces throughout the hotel. We are using air purifying systems that are effective against viruses in the air and on surfaces. Learn more about our partnership with Ecolab and their products.

#### Guest Contact

To help alleviate the risk of COVID-19 transmission through person-to-person contact, Marriott will be using signage in its lobbies to remind guests to maintain social distancing protocols and will remove or re-arrange furniture to allow more space for distancing. The company is planning to add partitions at front desks to provide an extra level of precaution for its guests and associates

and is working with supply chain partners to make masks and gloves available to associates. You'll see more hand sanitizing stations around Marriott's hotels - near the entrances and front desks, elevator banks and fitness and meeting spaces.

### **Food Safety**

At Marriott, food handlers and supervisors are trained on safe food preparation and service practices. The company's food and beverage operations are required to conduct self-inspection using its food safety standards as guidelines, and compliance is validated by independent audits. Marriott is also enhancing sanitation guidelines and training videos for associates that include hygiene and disinfecting practices. In addition, the company is modifying its operational practices for in-room dining and designing new approaches for conference meals.