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**ALL IN-PERSON, OUTDOOR CHAPTER EVENTS MAY RESUME. INDOOR EVENTS WILL BE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL FROM IDSA.**

Dear Chapter Leaders,

Now that a growing number of people have received COVID-19 vaccinations nationwide, we are pleased to share updated guidance for hosting in-person chapter events. According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), outdoor activity is the safest for both vaccinated and unvaccinated people; Therefore, in accordance with CDC guidelines, all in-person, outdoor chapter events may resume. All indoor events will be subject to approval from IDSA.

When planning your outdoor event, please follow the CDC's Infographic for Choosing Safer Activities and the Guidance for Fully Vaccinated and Unvaccinated people, to ensure that you are creating a safe and welcoming environment for all of your guests. If you are interested in hosting an indoor activity for your community, please adhere to the following Guidelines for Hosting Healthy In-person, In-door Chapter Events.

While several people have received the COVID-19 vaccine, there are others who have not been vaccinated due to health conditions, religious beliefs, or other factors. To ensure that your events are inclusive to all members of your community (both vaccinated and unvaccinated people), do not discriminate based on a person’s vaccination status. Please take measures to ensure that your events are both safe and welcoming to all members of your community.

We are thrilled to welcome our pre-pandemic gatherings back to our communities across the nation. We will continue to monitor COVID numbers across the country, while we cheer on your successful in-person and virtual events. Thanks, and welcome back!

Questions? Contact Korie Twiggs. Stay safe and healthy!