

COVID-19 and the EWH Institutes: COVID-19 Agreement

Congratulations on your acceptance to the EWH Institutes! We are grateful you've decided to join us and are excited to get to work. We're sure you still have many questions about your upcoming trip, and we know that for some of you, it may be the first time you travel internationally since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic. Rest assured that we will continue to carefully monitor the following criteria up until your departure date: travel restrictions, COVID-19 prevalence, the country's ability to handle outbreaks, government stability and public safety, reports from our partners on the ground, and any other pertinent information.

In order to ensure that we can provide a safe and fulfilling experience, we have developed the following policies and procedures for navigating international travel and COVID-19. Much of this information can also be found in your Welcome Packet, Medical Form, and Go Packet. You already have access to your Medical Form, and you will receive the informational packets soon, if you have not already. Please email summerinstitute@ewh.org with any questions or concerns.

Please sign the signature form at the end of this document and upload it to your EWH Dashboard before you make your deposit. EWH will not issue a refund of your deposit if you fail to comply with these terms.

Healthcare

If a participant becomes severely ill with COVID-19, the case will be handled by CISI* as any other illness. CISI insurance cannot, however, be used for preventative measures, such as COVID-19 testing without symptoms (to get on a flight, for example) or vaccinations in-country.

Masks

Masks should be worn at all times while in the hospital. N95 masks will be provided for hospital work. Please pack your own masks for use during other times, as necessary.

Vaccination

EWH travelers will be required to comply with the vaccination recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Specific guidelines for vaccinations and boosters are as follows (and are stated on your medical form):

The CDC currently (September 2023) recommends that all individuals aged 6 years and older receive at least one Pfizer or Moderna booster vaccination. Thus, all EWH travelers must have received at least one booster vaccination prior to the start of their program. A booster vaccination is an additional vaccination that is received after the completion of an initial vaccination series. You will be required to submit proof of vaccination. Please direct questions to summerinstitute@ewh.org.

Testing

You will be required to adhere to the testing guidelines that are mandated for travelers entering your program country. We also strongly encourage you to be especially cautious for two weeks leading up to departure (wearing a mask, practicing social distancing, etc.).

*Cultural Insurance Services International: this emergency medical and evacuation insurance is included in your program tuition.

If/then situations:

If you test positive...

Within 5 days of departure from home country

- You may not begin the program
- There is potential for virtual learning until you are recovered, and you may then join the program in-country, if reasonable

Upon landing in program country (if additional test is required by program country, or if displaying symptoms)

- EWH staff will ensure you receive medical attention as needed
 - o All costs will be your responsibility
- EWH will place you in a hotel to quarantine for the required amount of time
 - o The cost will be your responsibility
- You will begin the program as soon as possible
 - o There is potential for virtual learning until you are recovered

While on the program

- EWH staff will ensure you receive medical attention as needed
 - o All costs will be your responsibility
- EWH will place you in a hotel to quarantine for the required amount of time
 - o EWH will cover the cost of the hotel

Immediately prior to departure from your program country, if your home country requires testing prior to your return

- EWH staff will ensure you receive medical attention as needed
 - o All costs will be your responsibility
- EWH will place you in a hotel to quarantine for the required amount of time
 - o EWH will cover the cost of the hotel up until your program end date
 - o Beginning on your program end date, the cost will be split 50/50 between you and EWH until you are able to travel again

SIGNATURE FORM

1) Applicant Signature

I have read all of the above terms and conditions for participation in the Engineering World Health Summer Institute or Campus to Country program surrounding COVID-19 policies and procedures.

INITIAL HERE: []

I understand these terms and agree that they shall be binding upon me. I further agree that a pattern of disregard for these policies will be considered sufficient grounds for expulsion from the program, with no refund, and that any additional expense will be borne by me. INITIAL HERE: []

Applicant Signature

Date

You must be at least 18 years of age before the start of your program to participate in the Summer or January Institute. In addition, you must be of majority age in your state/country of residence to sign this form without the accompanying signature of a parent/guardian. If you are not of majority age in your state/country of residence, your parent or guardian must sign the below section. In all states in the USA, the majority age is 18, other than Alabama (19), Nebraska (19), and Mississippi (21).

2) Parent/Guardian Signature

If the applicant is not of majority age, a parent or legal guardian must sign this section.

Applicant Name (please print clearly): _____

Parent/Guardian Name (please print clearly): _____

I am the parent or legal guardian of the applicant named above. I have read all of the above terms and conditions for participation in the Engineering World Health Summer Institute or Campus to Country program surrounding COVID-19 policies and procedures. INITIAL HERE: []

I understand these terms and agree that they shall be binding upon us. I further agree that a pattern of disregard for these policies will be considered sufficient grounds for expulsion from the program, with no refund, and that any additional expense will be borne by me. INITIAL HERE: []

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