

Your well-being is FVC's #1 priority. Here is what we are doing to protect your health and peace of mind so you can focus on getting down to business at the 2021 Regional Conferences.

### **Vaccination Requirement/COVID Testing**

FVC will follow the policy dictated by the city/county/state healthcare department in the host cities. At this time neither Knoxville nor Tacoma is requiring COVID Vaccination or negative COVID tests in order to attend public gatherings.

- Knox County Health Department: <https://covid.knoxcountyttn.gov/>
- Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department: <https://www.tpchd.org/healthy-people/human-coronavirus>

If either city/county/state changes to a more restrictive policy before the conference dates registered attendees may cancel and receive a full refund.

Please note that attendees that travel by air will be required to meet FAA and Airline rules on Vaccination and Testing, which may be stricter than those of FVC.

### **Masks During Conference**

At this time masks are not required indoors in Knoxville, but they are required in Tacoma. FVC encourages all attendees to have access to masks at all times, and to wear them at any time they feel uncomfortable. FVC will have surgical style masks available at all times at the registration desk.

### **Venue Safety and Mitigation**

FVC is working with the Regional Conference venues to ensure that they maintain the highest levels of cleanliness and safety. The following links will allow you to explore specific mitigation and safety procedures at the hotels:

Hilton Knoxville: <https://covid.hilton.com/>

Hotel Murano, Tacoma: <https://www.provenancehotels.com/hotel-murano-tacoma/covid-19>

### **Contingency Plans**

If the COVID situation makes it impossible to conduct in-person Regional Conferences FVC will switch to a Virtual Conference, to be conducted in December.

Registered attendees will be offered three options:

1. They may request a full refund of registration fees.
2. They may transfer their registration to the Virtual Conference. Since this will have a lower registration fee they will have two options:
  - a. Receive a refund of the difference in fees, or
  - b. Donate the difference in fees

c. to FVC.

This is a very fluid time, and we will continue to evaluate what is needed to ensure you are comfortable and we meet safely. We will keep all participants updated as we get closer to the event.

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*Still have questions regarding your health and safety at the 2021 FVC Regional Conferences?* Please email [FVCEvents@farmvetco.org](mailto:FVCEvents@farmvetco.org) or call 530.419.6739 with your questions and/or concerns.