Notice for In-Person Bar Events

With the return to in-person meetings and events, the Oregon State Bar (“bar”) and its groups continues to seek to preserve the health and safety of bar members and staff. The bar and its groups ask that you review and take the following steps to prevent the transmission of COVID-19.

A. Attendees should not attend an in-person meeting or event if they have any reason to believe that they have COVID-19. An attendee has “reason to believe” the attendee has COVID-19 if:
   - Within 14 days of the meeting or event, the attendee is exposed to an individual with a confirmed case of COVID-19;
   - Within 14 days of the meeting or event, the attendee has symptoms of COVID-19; or
   - The attendee has tested positive for COVID-19, unless a licensed health provider confirms that the attendee does not have COVID-19, or informs the attendee that the attendee is no longer contagious.

B. Bar groups are strongly encouraged to provide the option of remote attendance. Groups are required to provide attendees with this alternative upon an attendee’s request for such a reasonable accommodation, no later than 48 business hours prior to the date of an in-person meeting or event, under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

C. The bar will continually assess current public health conditions and governmental orders, and take all necessary steps to comply with federal, state, and local public health laws, rules, regulations, and guidance. While the bar will try to give groups sufficient notice of any cancellation or other necessary schedule changes, the prevalence of COVID-19 and COVID-19 variants require flexibility on the part of the bar and its groups.

D. Attendees understand that attending in-person meeting or event could lead to exposure to or infection with COVID-19 and its variants.

E. The bar recommends that attendees consult with their health providers about individual risks as necessary.


G. If there is a confirmed exposure at an in-person meeting or event, the bar may contact you to inform you of your potential exposure so that you may see your health care provider for additional guidance.

H. Upon request by any federal, state or local public health official engaged in contact-tracing related to the spread of COVID-19, the bar may disclose attendance at any portion of the in-person meeting or event, together with any email address and phone number attendees have provided to the bar.