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Subject: RESNET revised COVID 19 travel policy

## **RESNET Team**

Since RESNET adopted its COVID-19 travel policy on March 11, 2020 a lot has changed.

While the current picture with the pandemic has given cause for hope, it is still an unfolding story. We will have to continue to adapt and pivot as we learn more and plan for days ahead.

Considering the current state of people being vaccinated, our industry being essential and robust, and more states changing guidelines associated with COVID-19, RESNET has revisited its initial travel policy to be sure we are diligent in our approach to protecting staff and our industry stake holders.

The CDC has determined that domestic air travel can be considered safe if a person has completed the COVID vaccinations. For this reason, effective on July 1, 2021, RESNET staff will be able to travel by air with the prior approval (approved by Cardice Howard or Steve Baden) and submission of staff's proof of vaccination card issued when the vaccination is administered.

The CDC has listed their latest recommendations (updated May 19, 2021) for travel in the U.S. here, <a href="Domestic Travel During COVID-19">Domestic Travel During COVID-19</a> | CDC.

If you do not have proof of vaccination, RESNET's policy of pre- and post-travel testing should be followed. This policy is also a recommendation of the CDC, <u>Domestic Travel During COVID-19</u> | CDC.

In addition, when traveling to a meeting or industry event, RESNET staff will be directed to adhere to the meeting site's or event's COVID-19 protocols. If a staff member is not vaccinated, RESNET urges that the person adheres to the CDC guidance that unvaccinated individuals should continue to wear masks and follow social distancing protocol, COVID-19: Considerations for Wearing Masks | CDC.

As we open travel, we are mindful that each state is different and there are different guidelines that may be in place. If you are not comfortable traveling, due to COVID-19, to a meeting, industry or RESNET event, you do not have to travel. Please contact Cardice Howard in a case where you do not want to travel. RESNET's priority is to keep our staff safe.

These policies will be revised as the CDC revises its travel recommendations.

Sincerely

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