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Re: Infectious Disease Precautions and Events

In accordance with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and University System of Georgia (USG) guidelines for combating the spread of COVID-19, Columbus State University (CSU) will require physical distancing at all events and in all of its facilities. Going forward, facility and event service requests will be conditionally approved with the understanding that event requestors, sponsors, and organizers adhere to the following guidelines.

Event requestors, sponsors, and organizers are required to create and share a proposal with University Support Services (USS) that details how the event requester/organizer/sponsor will enforce physical distancing guidelines and any additional protocols set forth by CDC and USG guidelines. Plans of action are due to University Support Services a minimum of two weeks, 14 calendar days, prior to the event, and once submitted cannot be amended. If the submitted plan complies with current physical distancing and event guidelines as set forth by the CDC and USG, the event will be fully approved. If the plan does not reflect adherence to these guidelines, the event will be canceled. USS will notify the requestor within the 14 days whether the plan of action is approved or denied. Furthermore, event requestors, sponsors, and organizers are responsible for enforcing the approved plans shared with University Support Services in the interest of the safety and well-being of all those involved with each event.

Additionally, in an effort to minimize the risk of infectious disease, Columbus State University reserves the right to ask guests to wear masks while in our facilities. We also reserve the right to check the body temperature of anyone entering our facilities and refuse entry to anyone either showing symptoms of sickness (including fever, cough, or other visible symptoms of an illness), or those with a temperature of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher. If masks or temperature checks are required, we will have appropriate signage stating this for guests entering our facilities. These requirements will be conducted on a case by case basis.

Questions about these guidelines should be directed to University Support Services. As always, we appreciate your support and effort to provide and maintain a safe environment for all those we serve.