Greetings Relatives,

As we prepare for the 2023 Women Are Sacred Conference, we are committed to implementing layered mitigations in our practice of community care and being good relatives.

The following resources will provide you an understanding of the COVID-19 situation in Albuquerque, NM.

- WHO Coronavirus Dashboard: [WHO Coronavirus Dashboard](https://covid19.who.int/)

We strongly encourage scheduling of a PCR test **within 5 days of travel** (if a PCR test is accessible in your area). [The People's CDC 'See You Safer' Toolkit recommends pre-event](https://www.peoples-cdc.org/see-you-safer-toolkit/) PCR testing. Results can take up to 48 hours, so it would be best to schedule testing between June 21-23. PCR drive up lab testing can be accessed through CVS or Walgreens pharmacy for those who are insured.

For those who do not have access to PCR testing or have recovered from COVID-19 in the last 90 days, **two negative rapid antigen tests (RAT) on consecutive days in lieu of a PCR** prior to travel is encouraged.

We strongly encourage every eligible participant able to be vaccinated to get the most recent, available booster at least **two weeks prior** to WAS (before June 12, 2023).

**The following is information on the COVID-19 layered mitigation tools we will have in place:**

- Daily supply of (3) rapid antigen tests and 3 KN95 masks (clear N95 available for presenters and by request)

  HEPA air purifier and/or a Corsi-Rosenthal (CR) DIY box in each gathering space. Outdoor space will be available for alternative meeting spaces, dining and mask wearing breaks

- Air ventilation will be monitored with a CO2 monitor so airflow or occupancy can be adjusted as needed (**CO2 should levels remain below 1,000 ppm or as close to 400ppm as possible**).
Reduced attendance capacity to minimize crowded indoor gathering spaces

- Hand sanitizing stations will be available throughout conference spaces
- Daily completion of a self-symptom monitoring checklist prior to entry

**Community Guidelines** - Please implement these practices to avoid COVID-19 transmission at WAS so we all can enjoy a safe time together.

1. Test each morning before gathering
2. Wear high filtration KN95, KF94 or N95 indoors, and outdoors, when in close proximity to others, absent a medical reason inhibiting ability to mask wear
3. Wear a KN95, KF94 or N95 mask during travel to Isleta Pueblo if using public transportation and while on public transportation in Albuquerque

*An attendee testing positive at the meeting site is expected to recuse themselves from attending the meeting in-person.* Those who were in close contact may stay in attendance, but continue to test daily and diligently mask. We recommend exposed individuals take a PCR test 5 days after exposure.

**The CDC recommends** that an individual who tests positive isolate for 5 days and wear a mask for 5 more days.

In the event of a positive test and to ensure immediate access to therapeutics, attached is a link to find a “Test to Treat Site” in the area: https://aspr.hhs.gov/TestToTreat/Pages/default.aspx