UCAR COVID-19 GUIDANCE for Onsite Visitors & Guests

Health and safety requirements

All individuals who come onsite to a UCAR-managed facility must comply with applicable federal, state, and local public health requirements related to masking, social distancing, and hand washing.

Vaccine requirement

In addition, as of March 1, 2022, all onsite visitors, invited guests and meeting participants will be required to be fully vaccinated prior to entering UCAR premises or visiting UCAR-managed facilities, equipment, and field sites for a UCAR-sponsored program.

Note: UCAR will follow the current definition of “fully vaccinated” in use by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Currently, boosters are not required to be considered “fully vaccinated,” but we will continue to monitor the CDC’s guidelines to ensure our policies and procedures remain aligned.

Before coming onsite

It is the responsibility of every visitor/guest/participant to do their own personal health assessment before coming onsite to a UCAR-managed facility. Failure to recognize and properly acknowledge symptoms of illness could put others at risk of exposure and leave facilities vulnerable to contamination.

1) Each day before coming onsite, individuals must conduct a Daily Self-Health Assessment for COVID-19 symptoms by considering and adhering to the following, regardless of vaccination status:

   a) Do you have any of the following symptoms?
      i) Fever of 100.4 °F or more
      ii) Cough
      iii) Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
      iv) Chills
      v) Muscle aches
      vi) Sore throat
      vii) New loss of taste or smell

   b) Have you participated in any activities that may have increased your exposure to COVID-19, such as:
      i) Testing positive for COVID-19
      ii) Awaiting results for a COVID-19 test
      iii) Coming into contact with someone who has tested positive for (or getting tested for) COVID-19

   c) Visitor/Guest agrees that if they develop symptoms while onsite they will:
      i) Inform UCAR/NCAR host to initiate contact tracing investigation
      ii) Immediately leave the UCAR facility

Performing work at a UCAR facility

1. Being mindful of others in and around the facility and work area:
   i. Understand each individual’s role in preventing incidents and containing the spread of the illness.
   ii. Hold one another accountable:
      1. If an individual sees a violation of OSHA safety practices or COVID-19 protocols, bring it to the host’s or management’s attention.