



-Hinman 2020 Travel Update-

As your plans are being finalized for joining us for the 108th Thomas P. Hinman Dental Meeting, our leadership wants to assure our attendees, exhibitors, speakers and partners that we are proceeding as planned to hold a safe, productive and successful event March 19-21, 2020 in Atlanta, Georgia. The health risk of Coronavirus for the general American public is considered low at this time, according to the latest summary from the CDC. While there are a few very specific, confirmed cases of Coronavirus in Georgia, the Governor and CDC have acted swiftly to identify the virus and isolate the individuals. We continue to monitor developments and follow the guidance provided by local government and health officials.

The safety of our Meeting participants remains our highest priority, and we continue to monitor the COVID-19 developments and the guidance provided by local government and health officials. As with all heavily attended events, we encourage Hinman 2020 exhibitors and attendees to take common-sense precautions (as recommended by the CDC), including:

- Cleaning your hands often by washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains 60 to 95% alcohol - additional hand sanitizer stations are placed in the Georgia World Congress Center.
- Avoid contact with sick people and avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands.
- If you are feeling ill during the Meeting, Hinman has medical care onsite readily accessible to address any immediate health concerns.

Registration and housing numbers are on track for another successful meeting. In the unlikely event that we do have any speakers cancel for personal or health reasons, we will update the schedule immediately online at <https://www.hinman.org/Education-Events/Courses> and notify registered attendees of the change.

The city of Atlanta is continuing to maintain rigorous cleanliness and safety standards throughout public spaces, hotels, and meeting facilities to host successful trade events daily. Hinman continues to monitor the developments of the Coronavirus situation. For the most current information about COVID-19, see the following resource link with information from the Department of Public Health, CDC and State of Georgia: <https://dph.georgia.gov/>