

These terms and conditions of registration apply to all conferences and events offered by the Cardiovascular Research Foundation (“CRF”) and are subject to change by CRF. Terms and conditions that are specific to a conference can be found on the official conference website and are incorporated into these registration terms and conditions. As the organizer of the conference, CRF will strictly enforce these terms and conditions of registration.

You are required to register for each conference regardless of whether attendance is in-person or online and only registered attendees will be able to attend in-person and/or logon to the conference website.

I. **General Policies For All Attendees:**

The following policies apply to all attendees of CRF’s Center For Education (CED) conferences (*i.e.*, whether attending in-person or online via Full Access, or online only via Online Access):

By registering for the conference you agree that you bear total, complete, and sole responsibility for all of the costs and risks associated with attending the conference. Under no circumstances will CRF or CRF’s associated/affiliated entities, agents, or assigns, bear any responsibility or have any liability to you or to any institution, company, or other entity or organization with which you may be affiliated, even if the conference is cancelled, in whole or in part and regardless of the reason, for any and all costs incurred by you or by any institution, company, or other entity or organization with which you may be affiliated in connection with attending the conference, including, but not limited to, registration fees; lodging/housing costs; travel, including airfare (both going to/or leaving the conference); and/or associated/incidental charges, including (for the avoidance of doubt), any and all costs incurred for or related to quarantine, illness, and/or medical testing or treatment. In connection with the foregoing, you hereby unconditionally release CRF and CRF’s associated/affiliated entities, agents, or assigns, in all respects to the fullest extent permitted by law from any and all responsibility and liability and expressly waive any and all claims that you may have against CRF and CRF’s associated/affiliated entities, agents, or assigns, in connection with and resulting in any way from your attendance of the conference.

A. **Cancellation Policies:**

- **Cancellation of Conference:**

CRF reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to unilaterally terminate any conference, in whole or in part because of circumstances beyond CRF's control (including, but not limited to, civil disturbance; natural disasters; electrical outage; explosion; fire; freight embargo; strike or labor unrest; epidemics and/or pandemics including COVID; severe weather; other acts of God; or an act of war, terrorism, any government or any government agency

or official; curtailment of transportation; or other events which make it illegal, impossible, or commercially impracticable to hold the conference. In these circumstances, you expressly agree to waive any claim you may have against CRF and CRF's associated/affiliated entities, agents, or assigns for damages or compensation in connection with and resulting in any way from the cancellation of the conference including but not limited to registration fees, lodging/housing costs; travel, including airfare (both going to/or leaving the conference); and/or associated/incidental charges.

- **Cancellation of Registration:**

Please refer to the official conference website. The policies set forth on the official conference website are an integral part of these registration terms and conditions.

- B. **Certification**

You certify that all of the information provided by you in connection with your registration for the conference is true and accurate. Violation of this policy may result in you being banned from attending or participating at the conference and/or any future CRF-sponsored/-managed events.

- C. **Post-Event Photography Use Notice**

You hereby grant CRF an irrevocable, worldwide, royalty-free, fully paid-up license to reproduce, copy, display, perform, or otherwise use any photos, videos, or audio recordings taken of you by CRF or CRF's designated vendor(s) during the conference or any other conference-related activity or event for promotional use (*i.e.*, brochures, association publications, and web-based media such as blogs, websites, e-newsletters). You hereby release and hold harmless CRF and CRF's associated/affiliated entities, agents or assigns, from all claims, demands, causes of action, and liability related to said use of the material. During the conference, attendees, vendors, speakers/faculty, and others may be photographed and videotaped by CRF or CRF's designated vendor(s) capturing the event. Some of these photographs or videos may be displayed by CRF in future publications or materials connected with the event.

- D. **Privacy Policy**

Please review CRF's Privacy Policy as it contains important information about your privacy rights and is incorporated into these terms and conditions: <https://www.crf.org/privacy-policy>. You may be asked to have your badge scanned either at meeting rooms and/or at session rooms. When your badge is scanned by industry supporters and/or sponsors during the meeting, you are opting in to receiving communications from that entity. You will be subject to their communications and privacy policy and must opt out with them directly. We do not endorse, screen, or approve, and are not responsible for their privacy practices.

- E. **Physician Payments Sunshine Act**

In order to help industry supporters and/or sponsors comply with the Physician Payments Sunshine Act, the names and contact information of all US licensed physicians participating in industry supported functions at the conference or other events will be provided to the industry supporters and/or sponsors of that function. The information provided will be used for reporting purposes only as part of the Physician Payments Sunshine Act submission and may appear on the CMS Open Payments website.

F. **Social Media Policy**

CRF promotes the free exchange and rapid dissemination of research and educational content from all CRF conferences. The slides from CRF-sponsored courses and symposia are immediately posted on [TCTMD](#) to facilitate scientific discourse and enhance patient care.

Communicating through social media is welcome and strongly encouraged provided that embargo rules for late-breaking clinical trials and science are honored. Photographs, screenshots, images of slides from sessions, and brief audio/video clips can be shared via social media. However, posting or live streaming entire sessions or live cases (the latter to respect patient privacy) and use of any CRF course content for commercial purposes is strictly prohibited.

G. **Verification of Registration Types**

Registrants may be subject to further verification by CRF. CRF will reach out directly should additional information be needed.

H. **Wire Transfers and Check Payments**

Acceptable forms of payments are credit card, check, or wire transfer. If you would like to pay by wire transfer, a mandatory **\$75 (USD) wire processing fee** will automatically be added to your total.

A registration is not considered valid until payment in full has been received by CRF.

II. **On-Site Policies for Full or Partial Access Attendees:**

The following policies apply to all in-person attendees of the conference (*i.e.*, attending via Full Access).

A. **Badge Changes and/or Reprints**

Any on-site badge changes or reprints will incur a **\$75 USD** fee per change/reprint.

B. **Children**

Due to the professional nature of the conference, CRF does not allow anyone under 16 into the scientific presentations or the Industry Hub rooms at any time. Nursing infants (up to 12 months) will be allowed (a) in the Industry Hub rooms only if allowed by the Industry group managing the room; (b) only if such infants are held at all times; strollers, infant carriers and other portable infant equipment are strictly prohibited; and (c) only if a parent has signed a liability waiver. Waivers will be available at the registration desk. Badges will need to reflect that a waiver has been signed. CRF reserves the right to deny or revoke access to any part of the conference to parents, infants and/or children found to be in violation of this policy. Infant changing stations are located in all restroom facilities.

C. **Conference Etiquette**

To make the conference experience enjoyable for all attendees, please keep the following in mind:

- As a courtesy to CRF's speakers, please refrain from the use of pagers or mobile devices of any kind during presentations. These devices should be powered down or, at a minimum, set to silent.
- Please keep in mind that participants of the conference are in attendance to learn. Therefore, in consideration of all attendees, CRF asks that you please take any conversations outside of the session rooms.

D. Group Registration (when applicable)

Group registration for the conference is permissible however, the group is solely responsible for ensuring that each individual within such group is made aware of and agree to comply with these Terms and Conditions. Violations of the Terms and Conditions by group or individuals within the group may result in group or individuals within the group being unable to attend the conference, in whole or in part, and/or being banned from attending or participating at any future CRF-sponsored/-managed events.

E. Health & Safety Measures

Please refer to the official conference website. The policies set forth on the official conference website are an integral part of these registration terms and conditions.

F. Identification at Registration

Attendees are required to present a valid photo ID at registration in order to collect registration materials. Unless a group has arranged for an advance group pickup of badges, individuals may only collect their own individual registration. This procedure is in place to protect registration materials from getting lost and to allow CRF to monitor accurate attendance.

Registration materials will not be provided without a valid photo ID. Furthermore, registrants agree not to allow any other individual to participate in their place at the conference, during the registration process, or any other conference-related activity, including acceptance of these terms of registration.

G. Loss of Badge Credentials

CRF reserves the rights to revoke or deny attendance of any registered participant, faculty/speaker, exhibitor, or media at the conference.

H. Lost and Found

If you lose or find an item, please go to the Registration area.

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event. Some of these photographs or videos may be displayed by CRF in future publications or materials connected with the event.

J. **Prohibition on Badge Swapping, Sharing, or Lending**

Each person attending a CRF-sponsored/-managed conference will be issued an event-specific badge bearing that person's name. You must have the badge bearing your own name in your possession at all times while on the premises at which the event is taking place. **THE SWAPPING, SHARING, OR LENDING OF AN EVENT BADGE TO ANY OTHER PERSON IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.** Anyone found to be wearing a badge that does not bear that person's name will have the badge immediately confiscated and will be escorted from the premises. Additionally, the attendance privileges of the person whose name appears on the confiscated badge will be revoked and that person will also be escorted from the premises. No replacement badges will be provided, and no refunds will be made, in whole or in part, for violating this policy.

Violators of this policy (the person to whom the badge was issued, the person found to be in possession of the badge, and where appropriate the company that purchased the badge) may also be banned from attending or participating at any future CRF-sponsored/-managed event. Additionally, in instances where an exhibiting/industry company is found to have violated this policy, the exhibiting/industry company will be penalized with a reduction in priority points. In cases where CRF is willing to permit a person found to be in violation of this policy to once again have access to the event, the person or the exhibiting/industry company, as applicable, will be required to re-register and will be charged the full cost of the additional registration. All decisions regarding compliance with or violation of this policy will be made by CRF in CRF's sole and exclusive discretion.

K. **Recording (Audio, Video, and Still Photography) Policy**

Photography (non-flash only) and brief audio, video, or screen recording using hand-held equipment for strictly personal, educational, and/or social use (in accordance with CRF's Social Media Policy) are permitted at all CRF conferences as determined solely by CRF. Substantial portions of posters, slides, and presentations may not be copied or reproduced in any form for sale or commercial use. CRF reserves the right to limit recordings on-site if deemed necessary.

Industry may film, record, or photograph activities in their own meeting rooms for promotional purposes only upon prior written consent from CRF.

Media must obtain approval and camera tag from CRF before filming, screen recording, or taking photographs for the purpose of original news or social media coverage. Please note that once approval to film and/or photograph is obtained, filming, videotaping, and photography are limited to agreed-upon terms.

L. **RFID/Beacons (If applicable)**

Traffic to and from session rooms, theaters, the Exhibit Hall, etc. at the conference may be captured using radio-frequency identification tags. Registration badges may have a smart label/affixed device that is synced with your registration ID. As you enter and exit various public areas of the conference, your registration information will be captured by electronic readers. The information obtained through this process will be used exclusively

by CRF and its Organizational Committee to measure attendance and to analyze aggregated data for our internal business purposes. We may also use this information to send promotional and information communications that we think may be of interest to you. You have the option of requesting that the RFID tag not be attached to your badge at the time you pick up your badge. Additionally, if you do not request to have the tag removed, you will later have the option not to receive promotional e-mails by using the “unsubscribe” link included in each promotional e-mail.

M. Unauthorized Solicitation Policy

Any company or representative of a supplier who is not industry and is observed to be soliciting business at the conference, in another company’s meeting space, or in any other area of the conference deemed inappropriate by CRF, will be asked to leave immediately. Unauthorized solicitation in the event space or technical programs is strictly prohibited.

N. Unsecured Items Policy

Personal belongings such as briefcases, backpacks, purses, coats, book bags, laptops, tablets, or mobile devices should not be left unattended in meeting rooms or public areas. These items are the responsibility of their owner and CRF will not be held responsible for their safekeeping should they become lost or stolen. Additionally, any unattended items may be subject to removal by security upon being discovered.

O. Wearing Your Badge

For your safety and security, all attendees, faculty/speakers, exhibitors, staff, and suppliers are required to wear their badges to have access to any part of the Conference. For safety, please remove your badge when leaving the Orange County Convention Center.

III. Policies for Online Attendees:

All online attendees of the conference (*i.e.*, attending via Online Access) are expected to comply with the [Terms and Conditions of Use](#) of CRF’s websites.

Questions?

If you have any questions regarding registration, please contact registration@crf.org.