

# BRANCH 116 COVID PROTOCOLS

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## **Branch Common Protocols**

### **A- Adherence to State SIR and State and County and Federal COVID-19 Guidelines**

SIR Branch 116 shall continue to require all Attendees participating in SIR activities to comply with all then-current federal, state, county and/or municipality requirements related to COVID-19 protection, such as but not limited to wearing masks and social distancing.

This activity must not be prohibited by an applicable order of the State, County or Municipal public health department.

### **B- Vaccination Requirement**

Beginning May 1, 2021 and until further notice to the contrary, SIR Branch 116 shall require branch members, visiting SIR members from other branches, guest speakers, guests, spouses/significant others (“Attendees”) to be fully vaccinated as defined by the CDC.

To ensure compliance with the requirements of item above, SIR Branch 116 shall require Attendees to show the original, a copy, or photo (in hardcopy or via a phone) of their vaccination record cards.

SIR Branch 116 shall maintain an updated list of members who have submitted proof of vaccination and use it to check them in for branch activities involving any indoor components. SIR Branch 116 will not require members who are on the vaccinated list to show proof of vaccination thereafter.

### **C- Waiver Requirement**

Branch 116 shall require all Attendees attending SIR indoor or outdoor activities, to execute a Branch 116 waiver prior to allowing them to attend such activities. Such waiver need only be executed once by a member and the waiver shall then apply to all branch activities henceforth. The branch shall maintain the originals of executed waivers for inspection by StateSIR representatives

## **D- Transportation**

SIR participants are responsible for their own transportation to and from events.

## **E- No participation if member may be sick**

If a participant or their partner has: a) tested positive for Covid 19 within the past 10 days; b) a known exposure to a person with recent (10 day) Covid 19 diagnosis; or c) believes that he or she has or may have a fever, abnormal recurring cough, loss of taste or smell or other possible Covid 19 symptoms, he or she must stay home.

## **F- Notification of illness after an event**

If a participant in a SIR event becomes ill or tests positive for Covid 19 after the event, he or she must immediately contact the Chair of the event. The Chair should in turn inform all who participated in the event of this issue. Those participants who were in the group with the ill member should be contacted directly. To assure privacy no names should be mentioned. The Chair should also inform the following individuals, Branch Big Sir and Activities Chair, and Area Governor.

## **G - Venues**

Participants must adhere to all guidelines set by the venue where the activity is taking place.