

## **ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

The Centers for Disease Control has classified COVID-19 as a highly contagious disease that can be transmitted asymptomatically and can lead to severe illness and death. Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology, Inc. ("APIC") cannot prevent the spread of COVID-19 or other infectious illnesses at its conferences or the facilities where APIC events are held.

Assumption of Risk: I understand that attending the APIC conference (the "Event") in person may expose me to COVID-19 and increase my risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19. I also understand that my participation in the Event is completely voluntary on my part. By participating in the Event, I voluntarily assume the risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19 at the Event. I also assume all risk of personal injury, damage, and expense related to my participation in, and travel to and from, the Event.

Waiver of Liability: In consideration of the opportunity to participate in the Event, I hereby forever release, waive, and hold harmless and waive my right to bring suit against APIC and its officers, directors, employees, members, volunteers, representatives, and agents for fault in connection with any exposure, infection, and/or spread of COVID-19 related to my participation in the Event. I understand that this waiver includes waiving the right to bring a claim based in negligence, including for any and all liability, injury, damage, loss, or expense that may arise, directly or indirectly, now or in the future, in connection with my attendance in the Event.

I agree that the law of the State of Texas will apply to this release and waiver. I further understand that all provisions herein are severable; if any provision is determined to be unenforceable, then the remaining portion shall remain in full force and effect. This release and waiver shall extend to and be binding upon me and my estate, heirs, executors, administrators and personal representatives.

By agreeing to the APIC COVID-19 policy, I signify that I have read this ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, understand it and its terms and conditions, and agree to be bound legally by it and its terms and conditions.

Updated 12/13/2023