

MEETING IN RHODE ISLAND?

Beyond delivering impeccable service, hospitality and amenities, the Providence Warwick CVB's industry partners are working hard to offer you peace of mind during the COVID-19 pandemic. Enhanced cleaning practices, plans for social distancing, mask mandates and more have been implemented in businesses throughout the state. Here are a few things to note while planning your event or meeting:

REOPENING RHODE ISLAND

Rhode Island is currently in Phase III of its reopening plan, allowing for increased capacity for indoor dining with restrictions, limits to group gatherings, further reopening of businesses, and more. Visit [ReopeningRI.com](https://www.reopeningri.com) for details.

MASKS & FACIAL COVERINGS

An executive order is currently in effect, requiring masks or face coverings to be worn in public — both indoors and outdoors — whenever six feet of social distance cannot be maintained. Exceptions to this include children under two and anyone whose health would be negatively impacted by wearing a face covering.

TRAVEL TO THE STATE

If you are coming to Rhode Island from a state with a positivity rate of COVID-19 greater than 5%, you will either have to self-quarantine for 14 days while in Rhode Island, or produce proof of a negative test for COVID-19 that was taken within 72 hours prior to arrival in Rhode Island. If you receive a test after arriving in Rhode Island and get a negative test result, you can stop quarantining. Find up-to-the-minute travel info at [Health.RI.gov/covid](https://www.health.ri.gov/covid).

HEALTH & SAFETY STANDARDS

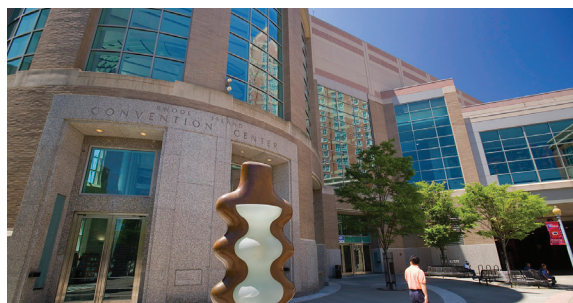
Providence Warwick CVB partners are sharing their COVID-19 protocols through their listings on our website [GoProvidence.com](https://www.goprovidence.com). Please look for the Health & Safety Standards tab on partner listings for the specific steps they are taking.

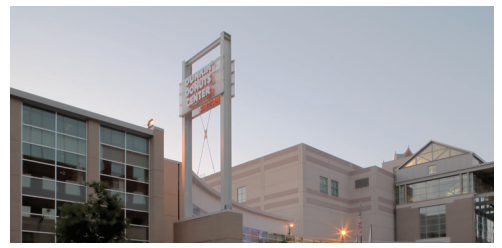
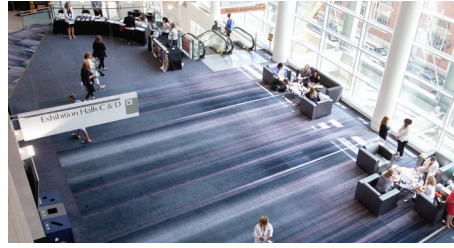
For more information about Rhode Island's COVID-19 response and how it relates to your event, please contact:

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RHODE ISLAND CONVENTION CENTER & DUNKIN' DONUTS CENTER VENUESHIELD PROGRAM

The **Dunkin' Donuts Center (DDC)** and **Rhode Island Convention Center (RICC)** are managed by **ASM Global (ASMG)** on behalf of the Rhode Island Convention Center Authority. ASMG is the world's leading venue management and services company, which has enabled the DDC and RICC to tap into the expertise and experience of a global network of more than 325 facilities in developing its COVID-19 Safe Plan to continue bringing experiences and meetings to life for the state of Rhode Island.

ASM Global subject matter experts have partnered with experts, health officials and industry leaders in environmental hygiene, sanitization and fulfillment on all facets of the **VenueShield Program**.

The program is designed to provide an evolving approach to the unique aspects of ASM Global-managed venues and is guided by input from the company's venue experts around the world, representing every venue type. The worldwide VenueShield Task Force is continuing to refine and develop the VenueShield Program by collecting and monitoring data, researching new technology and products, and updating best practices.

"We realize that each one of our venues across the globe is an economic engine for its community, representing local tax revenues, travel revenues and jobs. We look forward to reopening these local and regional economic foundations, stimulating local economies, and again delivering the entertainment experience that has defined us for decades," said Bob Newman, President and CEO ASM Global.

As the focus on COVID-19 shifts from total containment strategies to exploring the reopening of economies and lifestyle pursuits, the DDC and the RICC have been developing their own COVID-19 Safe Plan to enable its venues to reopen to clients and fans in the safest way possible.

The DDC and RICC have drawn on VenueShield, the global program developed exclusively by ASMG, to prepare its customized comprehensive plan for the reopening of the venues. In doing so, it has taken into account the guidance provided by the state of Rhode Island and health authorities.

Six key VenueShield pillars are used as a platform for the development of the VenueShield Reactivation Plan. These pillars are:

- Environmental Hygiene
- Customer Journey
- Food & Beverage Service
- Workforce Safety
- Public Awareness
- Technology & Equipment

The VenueShield Reactivation Plan is, and will continue to be, informed by organizations such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Health Service (NHS) and World Health Organization (WHO). This Reactivation Plan will be updated as necessary.

For more information on the ASM Global VenueShield program, please visit:
ASMVenueShield.com

