

CABI COVID-19 safety policies

1. Pre-screening of subjects will now have to include a [COVID-19 related information sheet](#) and a [questionnaire \(COVID-19 screener\)](#) in addition to standard MRI and study related screening procedure. These will have to be done prior to MRI scheduling. MRI reservations will only be approved after pre-screening results are provided to designated CABI staff. Any individual who answers 'yes' to any of the screening questions, has a temperature of 100.4 or higher, or has an oxygen saturation below 90% will be denied further participation on that day and encouraged to consult a physician regarding their symptoms.
2. Encourage participants to arrive alone. If they requested to bring a caregiver, remind them that the caregiver should bring his/her own mask
3. While scheduling, a one-hour gap will be enforced between all scans. This is to allow time for post-scan cleaning and sufficient air exchange.
4. One day prior to the scan, pre-screen again over the phone. If their status has changed from previous screening. We need to inform CABI staff on the day of the scan.
5. Hand sanitizing procedures should be followed when arriving and departing the center and at regular intervals while in the center building.
6. Research study personnel, participants and any caregivers will be required to complete a COVID-19 screening, including a questionnaire, forehead temperature, and finger pulse oximeter check, before entering the building. Upon arrival and prior to screening, research study personnel, participants, any caregivers must wear a mask and should sanitize their hands. Mask will be provided only to the participants. Research study team are requested to arrange for their own PPE equipment such as mask and disposable gloves.
7. Participants not properly wearing their face mask, covering nose and mouth, will be instructed to adjust as necessary. If they refuse to adhere or require multiple promptings, the session will be discontinued, and participant will be escorted from the building. Participant will not be required to wear mask while actively in the scanner, they are allowed to remove mask immediately before the head coil is placed for scan and must replace the mask directly after the scan, once coil is removed.
8. Post-scan cleaning should be done by the MRI tech conducting the scan. A post-scan cleanup checklist will be completed by the MR tech and attached to scan session forms.

Links to relevant documents: [COVID-19 Safety Policies](#), [COVID-19 Researcher and Participant Screener](#), and [information sheet for human subject participants](#).