2025 Education Palooza Registration Policies, Terms and Conditions

These Registration Policies and Terms and Conditions are adopted in consideration of and in the best interest of conference attendees, exhibitors, sponsors, and the conference host facility. By registering for the Education Palooza to be held October 24, 2025 (the "Event"), you agree that you are voluntarily participating in the Event for your own benefit, you agree to all the terms and policies contained herein and also agree to abide by all other reasonable policies issued by WMCCAI for the Event, and you agree that the value of participating in the Event is sufficient consideration in exchange for your agreement to comply with these policies and terms and conditions. Your attendance at and participation in the Event shall be deemed acceptance of these policies and terms and conditions.

The Policies, Terms and Conditions may be revised at any time by WMCCAI without prior notice and are non-negotiable.

Authority to Register and/or to Act as Agent

You represent and warrant to WMCCAI that you have full legal authority to complete this event registration and to agree to these policies and terms and conditions, including full authority to make use of the credit or debit card to which registration fees will be charged.

If you are registering third parties, you represent and warrant that you have been duly authorized to act as agent on behalf of such parties in completing this event registration and agreeing to these policies and terms and conditions on their behalf. By proceeding with this event registration, you agree that the terms outlined in this document shall apply and bind both you and any third parties for whom you are acting as agent.

Assumption of Risk and Limitation of Liability

You acknowledge and understand that you are solely responsible for your own health and safety, for assessing and determining any risks associated with travelling to and attending the Event in person, and for reviewing and considering any warnings, alerts, and other information provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), other federal agencies, and state and local health authorities that may be relevant to attendance at the Event.

YOU FULLY UNDERSTAND THAT YOU ARE ATTENDING THE EVENT AT YOUR OWN RISK, AND YOU ARE SPECIFICALLY ASSUMING ALL RISKS, RESPONSIBILITIES, DANGERS, LIABILITY, LOSSES, COSTS, CLAIMS, OR DAMAGES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF YOUR PARTICIPATING IN THE EVENT, INCLUDING OF DEATH, TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT DISABILITY, SERIOUS PHYSICAL HARM, ILLNESS, AND PROPERTY DAMAGE OR LOSS ("RISKS"). THE RISKS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, THOSE CAUSED BY BEING EXPOSED TO OR CONTRACTING COVID-19, BEING IN A METROPOLITAN AREA, TERRAIN AND SURFACE HAZARDS, FACILITIES, TEMPERATURE, WEATHER, EXPOSURE TO CONTAMINANTS OR DISEASE, SICKNESS, EQUIPMENT, CONDITION OR BEHAVIOR OF OTHER ATTENDEES, CONDITION OR BEHAVIOR OF INDIVIDUALS PROVIDING SERVICES DURING THE EVENT, AND THEFT. YOU FULLY UNDERSTAND THAT THESE RISKS MAY BE CAUSED BY YOUR OWN ACTIONS OR INACTIONS, THE ACTIONS OR INACTIONS OF OTHERS, INCLUDING OTHER ATTENDEES OR OTHERS AT THE EVENT, OR THE NEGLIGENCE OR RECKLESS CONDUCT OF THE "RELEASED PARTIES" NAMED BELOW. YOU FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS AND POTENTIAL LOSSES EITHER NOT KNOWN TO YOU OR NOT READILY FORESEEABLE AT THIS TIME.

YOU, ON BEHALF OF YOURSELF, YOUR FAMILY, ESTATE, HEIRS, AND ASSIGNS AGREE TO RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS THE EVENT, WMCCAI AND ITS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, VOLUNTEERS, CONTRACTORS, EMPLOYEES, HEIRS, SUCCESSORS, AFFILIATES, AGENTS, AND ASSIGNEES (EACH CONSIDERED A "RELEASED PARTY" AND COLLECTIVELY THE "RELEASED PARTIES") FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS, LIABILITY, DAMAGES, INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES, AND CAUSES OF ACTION, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, INCLUDING DIRECT, INDIRECT, PUNITIVE, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL, AND CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO YOUR PARTICIPATION IN EDUCATION PALOOZA AND ALL EVENT EVENTS. INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE USE OF THE HOTEL. WITHOUT IMPLICATION OF LIMITATION, THIS RELEASE APPLIES TO: ALL LIABILITY CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OR FAULT OF THE RELEASED PARTIES OR OF ANY SUPPLIERS OF THE SERVICES THAT COMPRISE THE EVENT; ALL LIABILITY RESULTING IN WRONGFUL DEATH, PERSONAL INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE; ALL LIAIBLITY CAUSED BY DEFAMATION OR INVASION OF PRIVACY; AND ALL LIAIBILITY DUE TO ANY OTHER CAUSE WHATSOEVER. YOU FURTHER AGREE THAT IF, DESPITE THIS RELEASE, YOU OR ANYONE ON YOUR BEHALF MAKES A CLAIM AGAINST ANY OF THE RELEASED PARTIES NAMED ABOVE, YOU WILL INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASED PARTIES FROM ANY LITIGATION EXPENSES, ATTORNEY FEES, LOSS, LIABILITY, DAMAGE, OR COST ANY MAY INCUR AS A RESULT OF ANY SUCH CLAIM.

Applicable Law; Consent to Jurisdiction

WMCCAI, which is sponsoring and organizing the Event, is based in the Falls Church, VA, United States of America. In addition, the WMCCAI website (excluding linked website) and the Event platform, by means of which participants register and/or may participate in virtual programming for the Event, is controlled by WMCCAI from its offices in the Falls Church, VA. By completing this event registration, both you and WMCCAI agree that the statutes and laws of the Falls Church, VA, without regard to the conflict of laws principles thereof, will apply to all matters relating to this event registration, these Education Palooza terms and conditions, including its liability, assumption of risk and waiver provisions, or use of the WMCCAI website and Event registration and other platforms. You agree that exclusive jurisdiction for any dispute with WMCCAI resides in the courts of the Falls Church, VA and you further agree and expressly consent to the exercise of personal jurisdiction over you in the courts of the Falls Church, VA in connection with any dispute including any claim involving WMCCAI or its affiliates, subsidiaries, employees, contractors, officers, directors, telecommunication providers and content providers.

Use of Website and Event Platform

In connection with the Event, participants may use and have access to the WMCCAI website and registration and other platforms and/or those of third parties. WMCCAI makes no warranty that the third party or WMCCAI website or platform services will be uninterrupted, secure or error free. WMCCAI does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of any information in, or provided in connection with, the WMCCAI or third party website or platforms. WMCCAI is not responsible for any errors or omissions, or for the results obtained from the use of such information. You understand and agree that any material and/or data downloaded or otherwise obtained through the use of the WMCCAI or third party sites or platforms is at your own discretion and risk and that you will be solely responsible for any damage to your own computer system or loss of data that results from the download of such material and/or data. All use of the website and the platforms are subject to the terms and conditions and privacy policies that can be found here.

No Warranties; Conference Content

You understand and agree that WMCCAI makes no representations or warranties for any purpose about the suitability, reliability, availability, safety, or timeliness of the Event venue, the activities and services that are part of the Event, or of any materials related to the Event or offered at the Event. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT POSSIBLE UNDER THE LAWS GOVERNING THIS AGREEMENT, WMCCAI DISCLAIMS ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO WARRANTIES OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, ACCURACY, TIMELINESS, AND MERCHANTABILITY. THE EVENT VENUE, ALL EVENT COMPONENTS AND RELATED MEETINGS, AND ALL OF THE ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES THAT ARE PART OF THE EVENT ARE PROVIDED "AS IS" WITHOUT WARRANTY OF ANY KIND.

You acknowledge and agree that WMCCAI, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to change any and all aspects of the Event, including but not limited to the Event themes, content, program, speakers, performers, hosts, moderators, venue, and schedule.

Registration Types

Associated fees are determined based on the date that you register and will automatically be populated at the end of the registration process. Sponsor-related participants will receive an organization specific discount code. Only the maximum contracted number of registrations will be available. Confirmed speakers will receive a unique discount code. Use of a discount code is only valid at the time of initial purchase/registration. Refunds will not be authorized for existing registrations where the special offer was received after the initial purchase. Discount codes cannot be applied to already reduced/discounted registrations. Limit one (1) special offer/discount code per registration.

Payment and Fees

Payment MUST be received with your registration; Registrants that do not provide a method of payment will not be completed. Individuals with incomplete registrations will not be able to attend the conference until payment has been made and will be charged the fee applicable at the time payment is made. Credit cards are accepted (VISA, MasterCard, Discover and American Express). If you are unable to use any of the available payment options, you may contact info@caidc.org.

Registrations with payment received on or before 11:59 pm ET on September 10, 2025 will be charged the early bird registration fee. Online registration will automatically display price increases.

Confirmations

Upon receipt of your registration and payment, a confirmation will be e-mailed to each registrant within one (1) day. Payment issues will delay the processing of your registration.

Photographs/Videos

Registration and attendance at, or participation in, the Education Palooza or WMCCAI meetings and other activities constitutes an agreement by the registrant to the use and distribution of the registrant or attendees' image, voice, and/or contributed content in photographs, videotapes, electronic reproductions and audiotapes of such events and activities by WMCCAI and third parties including partner organizations and Education Palooza sponsorship holders, including but not limited to the venue, the host city and the host Convention Visitors Bureau. You hereby grant Education Palooza, WMCCAI, partner and sponsor organizations 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 WMCCAI or its designated vendor(s) during Education Palooza for any and all purposes, including, but not limited to, advertising, trade, and/or promotional use (e.g., brochures, association publications, web-based media – blogs, websites, enewsletters). You hereby release and hold harmless the Released Parties from all claims, demands, causes of action and liability related to said use of the material, including but not limited to claims for invasion of privacy, rights of publicity or copyright, misappropriation, infringement of moral rights, or defamation.

Severability

If any provision of this Liability Waiver shall be unlawful, void, or for any reason unenforceable, then that provision shall be deemed severable from this Liability Waiver and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provisions.

Event Cancellation

In the event that Education Palooza is cancelled, conference attendees will be returned the registration fee only. Any fees associated with cancellation of travel or housing reservations is the exclusive responsibility of conference attendees.

Alcohol Consumption

Recognizing the nature of receptions and the potential for alcohol abuse at conferences, all Education Palooza sponsored events will make non-alcoholic drinks available. Conference participants are responsible for their own well-being, and YOU AGREE THAT NEITHER THE EDUCATION PALOOZA, WMCCAI AND/OR ITS SPONSORS WILL BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR ANY EVENTS OR OCCURRENCES RESULTING FROM CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL, REGARDLESS OF THE RECKLESSNESS OR NEGLIGENCE OF ANY RELEASED PARTY. Education Palooza, WMCCAI and/or its sponsors always have the right, in their discretion, to limit the serving of alcohol to any individual and to ask a participant to leave any part of the Event or related events.

Unauthorized Solicitation Policy

Any company or representative of a supplier who is not an exhibitor and is observed to be soliciting business in the exhibit area, in another company's exhibit space, or any other area of the conference deemed inappropriate by WMCCAI, will be asked to leave immediately. Unauthorized solicitation during the conference is strictly prohibited.

Unsecured Items Policy

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

Conference Conduct Requirements

WMCCAI does not tolerate discrimination or harassment. WMCCAI also does not tolerate bullying conduct (conduct that is demeaning, intimidating, humiliating, or abusive) in connection with any aspect of the Event. All Event participants agree that they will not engage in any such conduct, and anyone requested to stop unacceptable conduct is expected to comply immediately. WMCCAI has the right, in its sole and exclusive discretion, to take any action it deems appropriate in response to such conduct, including removal from the Event without warning or refund. If you have any concerns for your safety, you should contact 911 and/or facility security.

Conference Accessibility

WMCCAI embraces accessibility and full participation and is dedicated to providing ADA- compliant accommodations to people of all abilities.

In order to accommodate the environmental sensitivities of some of your peers, if at all possible, please consider that moderation and restraint in the use of perfume, cologne, or scented products in sessions and events greatly enhances the ability of individuals who suffer from chemical sensitivities to fully participate in the Event program.

WMCCAI staff will assist attendees with any accessibility accommodations to ensure a full experience for all. In order to plan effectively, we ask that individuals needing accommodations provide our staff with advance notice and pertinent information during the registration process.

You may indicate your desire for a member of the staff to contact you directly to discuss your individual needs. You also may contact WMCCAI on site.

Questions and Additional Assistance

Please email <u>info@caidc.org</u> if you have questions about or need assistance with any offerings, programs, products or services.