

## Know Before You Go – ACCI 2022

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### **Sheraton Sand Key, Clearwater Beach, FL – Conference hotel**

- [Sheraton Sand Key](#) • 1160 Gulf Blvd, Clearwater Beach, FL 33767 USA • (727) 595-1611
- Check in: 4:00 pm / Check out: 11:00 am
- Internet and on-site parking are complimentary
- Smoke free property
- [Hotel amenities](#)

### **Ground Transportation**

- [St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport](#) (PIE), distance 12.8 miles
- [Tampa International Airport](#) (TPA), distance 22.7 miles
- [Taxi fare](#) averages about \$63 (TPA) and \$40 (PIE) depending on traffic
- [UberX](#) is estimated at \$24-\$32 one way, depending on traffic

### **Presenters (Oral and Poster)**

- **Detailed instructions for presenters can be found at** <https://www.consumerinterests.org/conference-2022-presenter-info>
- **Please use the oral and poster templates provided at** <https://www.consumerinterests.org/conference-2022>
- **Consumer Interests Annual (Proceedings)** - All presenters agreed at the time of proposal submission to submit to this highly cited publication. Papers that are more than abstracts are preferred. Detailed instructions will be sent via e-mail after the event.

### **Oral Presenters:**

- **Projectors, screens, computer, and extension cords will be provided.** We do not generally provide a microphone for breakout sessions unless you let us know that you are very soft-spoken and cannot be heard without one.
- **Download the PowerPoint Template from the web page referenced above and please use it.**
- Bring your presentation with you on a thumb drive.
- Are you using any video or playing any sound in your presentation? If so, please contact the [ACCI office](#).

### **Poster Presenters:**

- **Download the Poster Template from this same page and please use it.**
- Please be prepared to present a 60-second introduction to your poster from the podium in the general session preceding your Featured Research Session. The session you are scheduled to present at is clearly listed in the Event App: <https://eventmobi.com/acciconference2022>.
- T-pins will be provided for you to pin your poster to the poster board.
- Please set up your poster according to the number you are assigned. This will enable people to find you and speak to you about your poster. You will find your assigned number in the event app.
- Posters can be as large as 4 ft. high x 6 ft. wide. While the template is smaller, the printer can adjust.
- Set up and take down times for posters are in the program agenda found in the event app.
- If you cannot take down your own poster, please arrange someone else to take it down and take it home for you. We cannot provide a mail-back service.

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**Program** with full schedule available at <https://eventmobi.com/accconference2022>

- Attendees who have registered have been uploaded, and you were emailed a link to edit your profile.
- You will need to verify your email address to gain access as login is required.
- We do not have a printed schedule.
- Changes to agenda and notification emails will be accomplished through EventMobi. You are strongly encouraged to use it on your smart phone or tablet.

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### **Optional Dinner Cruise – Starlite Majesty, Saturday night, May 21**

- Yes, you may still purchase a ticket! Call or email the office.
- We will gather in the hotel lobby at 5:45 pm to ride the [Jolley Trolley](#) to the Clearwater Marina. We board the ship around 6:30 pm and arrive back at the hotel by 10:00 pm. Dinner and entertainment included. There will be a cash bar.
- There is security as you board the ship. Your parcels and purses are required to be open to inspection.

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### **Notices**

- Please attend the food functions for which you registered since we have ordered food based on this.
- We will be taking photos, and these may be used on the ACCI website or in future publications and publicity. If you do not wish your image to be used, please stop by the registration desk to inform us.
- We have scheduled **Yoga on the Beach** every morning to start your day! Check the event app for specific times.
- Don't miss the door prizes that will be given out during the Closing General Session! You must be present to win.

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### **Food Service**

- The conference is providing the following food service as part of your conference registration fee:  
1<sup>st</sup> Timers Welcome & Orientation Thursday before conference begins, Dinner Buffet on the Lawn Thursday, breakfast Friday during Poster Session I, Grab & Go Networking Lunch on Friday, Reception Friday during Poster Session II, breakfast Saturday, Luncheon on Saturday during General Session 3, and Refreshments & Dessert at the Closing General Session Saturday.
- When you registered, you were asked if you had any ADA needs, food allergies, were or special meal requests. Please check at the registration desk, as we are there to help you with this, and pick up your meal tickets. If you have not shared any special needs with us, please do so immediately so we can be prepared to meet your needs.

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### **Registration/Check In & Information Desk will be open daily** (located in Lobby II)

- Wednesday, May 18                      2:00 pm – 5:00 pm
- Thursday, May 19                         8:00 am – 7:00 pm
- Friday, May 20                             6:30 am – 5:00 pm
- Saturday, May 21                         7:00 am – 3:00 pm

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### **Dress**

The tradition is casual business attire. Please remember to bring a sweater or jacket, as the rooms are air-conditioned and, even though in Florida, may be cold.

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### **COVID Protocols**

We are so glad that we can now attend the conference in person but wish to be careful in our meeting and clear about how ACCI is addressing safety. Please read the conference [COVID protocols](#).