

WALK TO END LUPUS NOW™

We're so excited to be back in person this year with our first in-person walk since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic! Supporting health and safety during Walk Day is incredibly important, so we wanted to share the protocols we've put in place for the 2022 Cleveland Walk to End Lupus Now® in-person gathering at Hofbrauhaus to ensure a health-safe walk environment.

What we are doing to support a health-safe walk environment:

- Wearing masks will be strongly encouraged. Extra masks will be available at check-in.
- Hand sanitizer will be available for use in multiple locations throughout the venue.
- There will not be a face painter this year
- All attendees are encouraged to know the symptoms of COVID-19 and are advised to check themselves for signs (including fever, cough, headache, body aches, loss of sense of taste and smell), and stay home if they are sick.

How to avoid the crowds on Walk-Day:

- Register yourself and your team members in advance online by clicking here: <https://lfaohio.salsalabs.org/walktoendlupusnow2022registration/index.html>
- Enter donations online using a credit or debit card. Submit cash and check donations in advance by completing the [offline donation form](#) and attending early check-in at the office between 9 AM and 5 PM Monday 9/19- Thursday 9/22 or send by mail:
 - Lupus Foundation of America, Greater Ohio Chapter
RE: Walk to End Lupus Now®
12930 Chippewa Rd Brecksville, OH 44141
- Print and fill out ["Why I Walk Sign"](#) in advance and bring it with you to the Walk
- Don't feel comfortable attending in person? Register as a Virtual Walker and rock your purple while walking in your neighborhood or local community. Then join the Greater Ohio Chapter via the web on September 24. Contact the office at 1 (888) NO LUPUS or by emailing Victoria@LupusGreaterOhio.org for more details.
 - You can also join walk participants from across the country on Thursday, November 17 for our National Virtual Walk Celebration.
- [CLICK HERE for the Cuyahoga County Board of Health website](#)
 - The countywide mask advisory was lifted on March 7, 2022
- [CLICK HERE for the Ohio Department of Health website](#)
 - Ohio Department of Health COVID-19 hotline: 833-4-ASK-ODH or 833-427-5634
- [CLICK HERE for the CDC website](#)
 - [CDC's post about masks](#)

Comments from the CDC:

After completing the primary vaccination series, some people who are [moderately or severely immunocompromised](#) should get an additional primary dose and a booster. Because the immune response following COVID-19 vaccination may differ in people who are moderately or severely immunocompromised, [specific guidance](#) has been developed.

COVID-19 Preventive Medication

Evusheld

is a medicine that can help protect you from getting COVID-19. You may be eligible for Evusheld if you:

- Are [moderately or severely immunocompromised](#) and may not mount an adequate immune response to COVID-19 vaccination OR have a history of severe allergic reactions to COVID-19 vaccines, and
- Do not currently have COVID-19 and have not recently had close contact with someone with COVID-19, and
- Are an adult or adolescent ages 12 years and older weighing at least 88 pounds (40 kg)

Evusheld contains 2 different antibodies that can help prevent COVID-19. It must be given by your healthcare provider before you get exposed to COVID-19. Talk to your healthcare provider to find out if this option is right for you. Even if you receive Evusheld, taking multiple [prevention steps](#), such as wearing a [well-fitting mask or respirator](#) and avoiding crowded places, can provide additional layers of protection from COVID-19.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-with-medical-conditions.html#immunocompromised>