Thank you for registering for the Ready by 21 National Meeting!

This document will provide you with some basic information about the meeting taking place in New Orleans, Louisiana -- Tuesday, March 31st through Thursday, April 2nd. Please ensure that you read it through in its entirety.

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Included with Registration
As part of your national meeting experience, you will also receive the following:
- A welcome reception on Tuesday evening
- Breakfast and lunch on Wednesday and Thursday
- A "block party" site visit to Café Reconcile on Wednesday afternoon
- All conference materials
- Online access to all meeting presentations and materials

Recommended Travel Times
We often get asked about when the activities begin and end so participants can plan their travel. We recommend:
- Arriving in New Orleans by 5pm on Tuesday, March 31st.
- Scheduling departure flights for 4:30pm or later on Thursday, April 2nd.

Location
The Ready by 21 National Meeting will be held at The Sheraton New Orleans Hotel on 500 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70130. Click here to see the physical location of the hotel on a map. Not only is the hotel situated on historic Canal Street, it is also located on the New Orleans Streetcar line. The hotel's phone number is (504) 525-2500.

Hotel Accommodations

You are responsible for booking your own accommodations. We have group rates of $169.00 per room available **until March 10**. Book your room today.

Transportation

Airport and Shuttle Service

The closest airport is the Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY) which is 15 miles from The Sheraton New Orleans Hotel.

You may reserve a shared ride service between the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel and Louis Armstrong International Airport through New Orleans Airport Shuttle. Rates are $20pp one way / $38pp roundtrip. Please call 504-522-3500 for information or make reservations online at least 24 hours prior to your flight departure time at: Sheraton New Orleans Hotel Airport Shuttle.

Taxis are available outside of baggage claim and the average fare to our New Orleans hotel is $33.

For more ground transportation options please visit the Louis Armstrong International website at http://www.flymsy.com.

Streetcar Transportation

The Sheraton hotel is also located right on the Streetcar line which provides easy transit along Canal Street, St. Charles Avenue, and the Riverfront. One-way cost: $1.25. One, 3 and 5-day unlimited ride passes are also available for $5, $12 and $20 respectively.

Hotel Parking

Valet parking service is available for guests (the hotel does not offer self-parking). Vehicles are secured in a covered garage adjacent to the hotel. Due to limited space and height restrictions parking is available on a first-come-first-served basis and they cannot accommodate oversized vehicles. Overnight guest rate is $40 + tax.

General Driving Directions to the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel

From East

- Take Interstate 10 West to the Canal Street Exit #235B
- Turn right on Canal Street
- The hotel is about 10 blocks down on the right side (at the corner of Camp Street)

From North

- From the Causeway exit, take Interstate 10 East to the New Orleans Business District
- Continue to the Poydras Street exit
- Follow Poydras Street for approximately 8 blocks
- Turn left on Camp Street
- Continue on Camp Street for approximately 3 blocks
- The hotel will be on the right

From Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport

- Take Interstate 10 East to the New Orleans Business District
- Continue on to the Poydras Street Exit
- Continue down Poydras Street to Camp Street
- Turn left on Camp Street
- Go 3 blocks and the hotel will be on the right side on the corner of Camp and Canal

From South

- Take Highway 90 to the Westbank Expressway
- Proceed on the Westbank Expressway to the Crescent City Connection (approximately 10 miles)
- From the right lane, exit at Camp Street (8 red lights)
- Turn right on Canal Street

Dress Code
The dress code for this conference is business casual.

Weather
The weather in New Orleans for the end of March into early April reaches, on average, a high of 74 and a low of 59. For the latest weather forecast in New Orleans, click here.

Local Attractions
The hotel is just steps from the Aquarium of Americas and the IMAX Theatre, the National D-Day Museum, Harrah's New Orleans Casino, popular shopping destinations such as Canal Place, Riverwalk Marketplace and JAX Brewery. The convention center is minutes away and the hotel is located on the New Orleans Streetcar line, so you can catch a breezy, relaxing ride up Canal Street to City Park and the New Orleans Museum of Art.

Exit the hotel's front doors, cross historic Canal Street and you're in the French Quarter, home to famous restaurants and nightclubs, live music, fantastic shopping, museums and historic sites, unique architecture and a one-of-a-kind, spirited atmosphere. Feel free to Visit the New Orleans Convention & Visitors Bureau for a calendar of festivals and activities.

Social Media
We hope that you join us in connecting on social media. To promote this conference and connect with other attendees, we will be using the hashtag **#Rb21** on Twitter.

Feel free to follow us on Twitter (**@readyby21**) and Facebook (**/readyby21**) to stay connected all year long.

About Ready by 21
As a registrant for the Ready by 21 National Meeting, we proudly consider you a part of our growing network of leaders. If you haven't already, we hope you'll visit www.Readyby21.org to see all of the tools and resources available to you. (A quick and free registration is required to download full copies.)

Click here to take your next step as a Ready by 21 Leader.

We look forward to seeing you in New Orleans!