

# What's New in 2024-2025

## PRE-DEPLOYMENT ZOOM MEETINGS

About a month before your deployment, you will be invited to join a zoom meeting with ASC leadership, medical and travel teams. This is a means to disseminate information and is a forum for questions. Participation is optional but highly recommended.

## COVID

- To McMurdo and South Pole, expect to leave your AOD up to five days before your Ice date, though this is subject to change.
- To Palmer Station and the vessels, expect to leave your AOD up to seven days before boarding the ship, though this is subject to change.
- This extra day allows for COVID testing and is expected to be effective throughout the 24-25 season.
- Chilean entry requirements with regard to COVID are subject to change at any time, but we expect them to be relatively relaxed this season.
- Vaccines: Yes, you still need to be fully-vaccinated against COVID.
- Bring a record of your COVID vaccination(s) when you travel. It should be carried with your passport.
- COVID is still a risk. Please continue to practice safe COVID measures, especially as deployment approaches.

*Please keep checking email (spam too) as your deployment approaches.*

