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### **Explanation of the Rules:**

To make sure cultural events in theaters are safe and enjoyable for everyone, we need to adapt the stage area so that people with disabilities can access it easily. We should also follow steps that help keep everyone healthy and prevent any physical or mental health problems.

### **Why We Need This Rule**

Theaters help people feel better mentally and emotionally. So, it's important to have spaces that are easy for people with disabilities to use too, so everyone can enjoy the benefits.

We need to make sure theater spaces are safe for everyone's physical, mental, and emotional health. By having clear and easy-to-follow health and safety rules, we can reduce the spread of illnesses and help people stay healthy. This way, everyone can enjoy theater events, which are important for our overall well-being and personal growth.

After the pandemic, we found out that theaters weren't high-risk places for spreading diseases. So, we need to create welcoming and safe spaces in theaters to make sure everyone stays healthy, both physically and mentally, when they visit.

### **Steps to Take**

Make spaces accessible: We need to make sure people with disabilities can easily go to the theater, both as professionals and audience members. Here's how:

- a) Signs: Use clear and easy-to-see signs to help people with disabilities find their way around.
- b) Subtitles: Use AI-powered subtitles for people who have trouble hearing.
- c) Audio description: Provide hearing aids for better understanding of the show.
- d) Sign language interpreter: Have an interpreter on stage to help people who use sign language.
- e) Information: Share details about show accessibility on the theater's website.
- f) Festivals: Create events that showcase shows made by or about people with
- g) disabilities, to raise awareness and make their voices heard.
- h) Discussions: After each show, have a talk between the audience and the performers to encourage active participation, including people with disabilities.

## Health and Safety

Theaters can be low-risk places for spreading illnesses if the right safety measures are followed. Here's what theaters should do:

- a) Social Distancing: Keeping a 1.5-meter distance between people can help prevent the spread of diseases, especially during a pandemic. To achieve this, theaters should:
  - b) Reduce seating: Remove some seats to maintain the 1.5-meter distance between people.
  - c) Staggered entry and exit: Give people different times to enter and have staff guide them when leaving to avoid crowding.
  - d) Manage movement inside: Have staff help control audience movement, like when using restrooms, to prevent overcrowding.
- e) Hygiene and Prevention Measures in Plain Language:
  - f) Masks required: Everyone, including the audience and staff, must wear masks.
  - g) Hand sanitizer: The theater should provide hand sanitizer at the entrance and in visible locations.
  - h) Equipment disinfection: Clean and disinfect all theater equipment after each show.
  - i) Temperature checks: Staff should check everyone's temperature before entering the theater and deny entry if the temperature is too high.
  - j) Ventilation: Air out the theater before and after each performance to improve air quality.
  - k) Protective screens: Install screens at ticket booths to separate people.
  - l) Assigned tickets: Sell tickets with names on them so it's easy to trace contacts if someone gets sick.
- m) \*Special measures for actors and actresses: Since they won't wear masks during performances, actors and actresses need extra precautions.
  - n) Antigen tests: Each actor should take an antigen test before every performance.
  - o) Masks off-stage: Actors don't need to wear masks during performances, but should wear them at other times.