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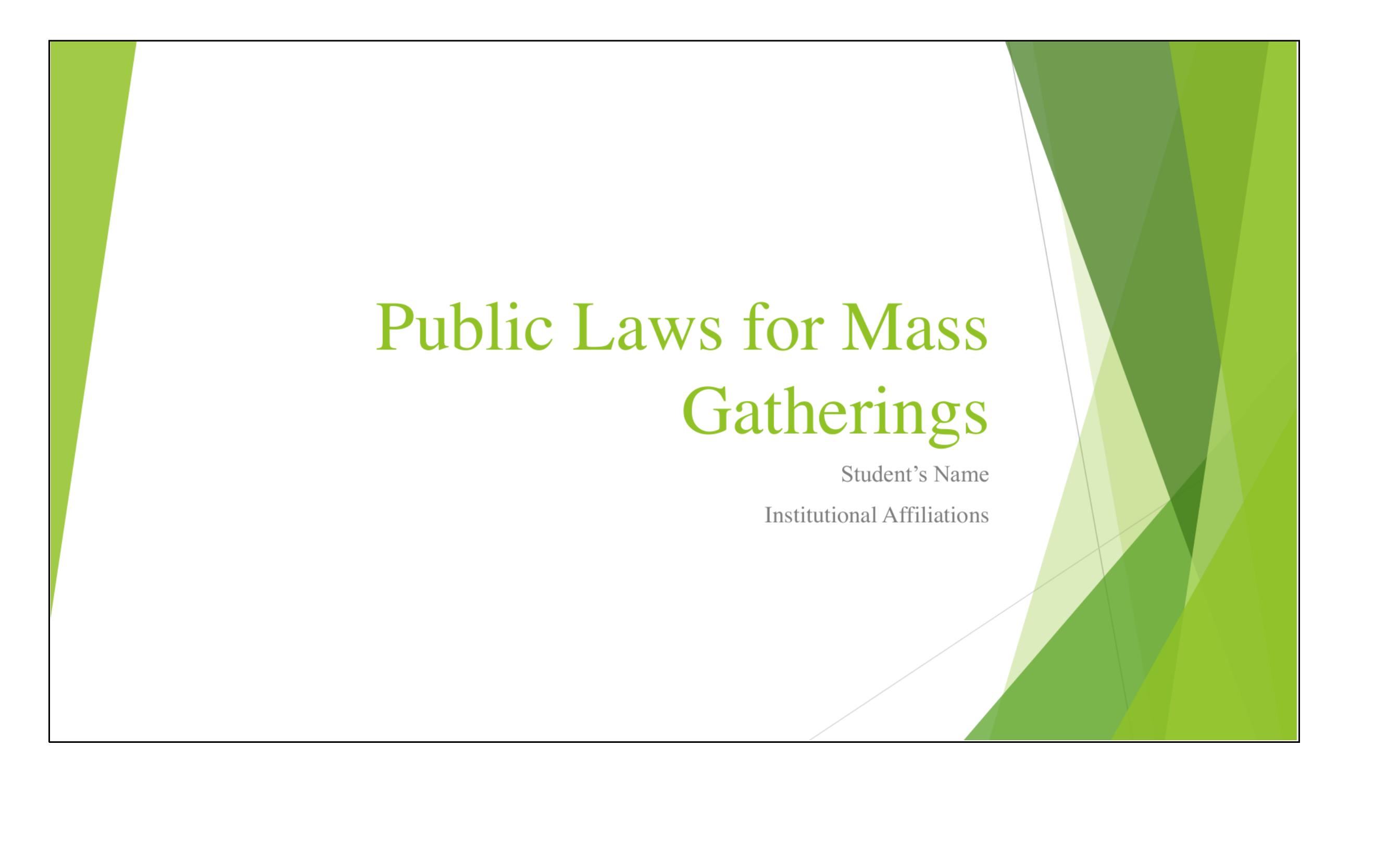
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Public Laws for Mass Gatherings

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Introduction

- ▶ ¹ One of the largest mass gathering done in Saudi Arabia is the Hajj
- ▶ The Hajj is performed every year
- ▶ People come from different countries to be involved with the events
- ▶ Public health laws have been put in place to ensure the safety of the pilgrims
- ▶ Some of the laws include coronavirus regulations and travel laws



Public Health Laws In Saudi Arabia

- ▶ Meningococcal meningitis regulations
- ▶ Travel rules
- ▶ Coronavirus laws



Meningococcal Meningitis Regulations

- ▶ The disease is caused by a bacterium called *Neisseria meningitis* (Rahman et al., 2017)
- ▶ The bacteria is known for causing large epidemics
- ▶ The disease is transmitted through respiratory droplets and cough secretions
- ▶ One person can cause immense suffering during the pilgrims
- ▶ Many restrictions have been put in place to ensure nobody comes with the bacteria

Meningococcal Meningitis Regulations Cont...



- ▶ Every person coming from other countries must provide the certificate of vaccination
- ▶ The certificate should be issued less than three years and more than ten days (Saudiembassy, n.d)
- ▶ The purpose of the law is to ensure safety for people in mass gatherings
- ▶ All people have to provide the requirements before entering the country
- ▶ The implication is not attending the Hajj

Coronavirus Laws

- ▶ Keep a social distance of at least 1.5 meters
- ▶ Wear masks throughout
- ▶ Wash hands with soap and water regularly
- ▶ Utilize disposable tissue when sneezing and coughing



Pilgrimage Attendance Population Laws

The following population were not required to attend mass gatherings:

- ▶ Pregnant women
- ▶ Individuals with chronic conditions
- ▶ People with more than 65 years (Ebrahim & Memish, 2020)
- ▶ Children with less than 12 years



Travel Rules

- ▶ Individuals attending a mass gathering coming from a different country must be vaccinated for yellow fever
- ▶ A certificate of vaccination is presented and must be within ten days and ten years
- ▶ The purpose of this law is to reduce the spread of infection to other people
- ▶ The implication of the law is to be put in strict surveillance for six days

Health Instructions Provided By International Organizations

- ▶ Water and sanitation (Memish et al., 2019)
- ▶ The spread of communicable disease
- ▶ Mental health and psychosocial disorders (World Health Organization, 2015)
- ▶ The advice is reflecting the laws because it has focused on maintaining hygiene and prevent diseases

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