



Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19)



Amador County
Public Health

Recommendations for Businesses and Employers

The CDC has issued [guidance for businesses](#) to plan for and respond to COVID-19 and recommends that they implement the following strategies immediately:

- Encourage sick employees to stay home until they are free of fever and other symptoms for at least 24 hours without medications. More employees than usual may need to stay home to care for sick children or other family members.
- Separate employees who appear to be sick upon arrival to work or become sick during the day and send them home immediately.
- If an employee is confirmed to have COVID-19, employers should inform fellow employees of their possible exposure in the workplace but maintain confidentiality as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Employees exposed to a co-worker with confirmed COVID-19 should refer to CDC guidance for [how to conduct a risk assessment](#) of their potential exposure.
- Provide tissues and no-touch disposal receptacles.
- Provide soap and water and alcohol-based hand rubs in the workplace in multiple locations. Instruct employees to clean their hands often with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer or wash their hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Display posters that encourage [staying home when sick](#), [cough and sneeze etiquette](#) and [hand hygiene](#).
- Routinely clean all frequently touched surfaces in the workplace, such as workstations, countertops and doorknobs. Provide disposable wipes so that employees can wipe down commonly used surfaces.
- Advise employees to take certain steps before traveling, including checking the [CDC's Traveler's Health Notices](#) for the latest guidance and recommendations for each country.

RESOURCE LINKS:

Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers to Plan and Respond to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), February 2020: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/specific-groups/guidance-business-response.html>

How to Conduct a Risk Assessment: Interim US Guidance for Risk Assessment and Public Health Management of Persons with Potential Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Exposure in Travel-associated or Community Settings: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/risk-assessment.html>

Educational Posters:

<https://www.cdc.gov/nonpharmaceutical-interventions/tools-resources/educational-materials.html>

https://www.cdc.gov/healthywater/hygiene/etiquette/coughing_sneezing.html

<https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/materials.html>

CDC Traveler Health Notices: <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel>