COVID-19 Safety Town Hall
Protocols for Safe Construction
Webinar Procedures

▪ Situation continues to evolve rapidly. Based on our understanding as of April 30, 2020 at 11:00am

▪ Microphones are muted

▪ Please use the question box

▪ Files are uploaded in the handouts box and are available on our website
Speakers

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Guidance Documents

- Secretary of Health Order dated April 5, 2020
  - Cleaning

- Secretary of Health Order dated April 15, 2020
  - Masks required

- CDC Guidance

- Guidance for Businesses in the Construction Industry April 23, 2020
The Plan

RECOMMENDED SAFETY AND HEALTH RESPONSE PLAN FOR COVID-19 EXPOSURE MITIGATION

The Basics

- Hand Washing Stations
  - Entrance/Exit
  - Near break areas
  - Number of stations optional

- Cleaning and Disinfecting
  - High touch areas
    - Handrails
    - Doors
    - Porta-johns
    - Gang boxes

- Social Distancing
Social Distancing

- 6 feet minimum between workers
  - PA order allows exceptions for:
    • Safety of the public
    • Worker required deviation (“team lifting or drywalling”)

- When 6 foot cannot be achieved
  - Job Safety Analysis
  - Barrier
  - PPE
    • N-95 preferred, facemasks can be used
    • Face shields
    • Gloves
1. Maintain 6 Foot Distance
2. Clean & Disinfect Surfaces
3. Stay Home When Sick
4. Avoid Touching Your Face
5. Cover Your Cough
6. Wash Hands Often

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Administrative

- Use virtual meetings when possible
- Disseminate information electronically when possible
- Meetings/Gatherings
  - 10 or less people
  - Maintain 6-foot social distance
  - Hold outside when possible
- Stagger shifts, breaks, etc.
- Limit tool sharing
- Limit access to enclosed areas (trailers, offices, etc.)
- Prohibit unnecessary visitors, limit deliveries
- Ensure workers travel to and from the site separately
New Requirements

- Employ jobsite screening per CDC guidelines
  - Questionnaire
    - Does not need documented unless “Yes” answer
    - Done in private
  - Temperature checks
    - Required when returning to work following positive or probable
  - Identify a “Pandemic Safety Officer” (PSO)
    - Each contractor must have one
    - Can have other duties
    - Must be on site
Convey, implement, and enforce the social distancing and other requirements of this guidance for the protection of employees, suppliers, and other personnel at the site.
Other Requirements

▪ Residential
  o “detached one-family and two-family dwellings and townhouses which are not more than three stories above grade plane in height with a separate means of egress and their accessory structures.”
  o No more than 4 persons

▪ Non-Residential or Commercial
  o Enclosed projects or portions of enclosed projects, may not permit more than:
    • 4 persons for first 2,000 square foot
    • One additional person is allowed for each additional 500 square feet of enclosed area over 2,000 square feet
    • Per project, not per employer
    • Exterior workers count under square footage requirement
Other Guidance

- Strongly encourage development of written safety plan
- Local governments can impose more stringent requirements
- Local officials tasked with notifying employers that a complaint was received
  - High rate of complaints in other States
  - Social Distancing Officer Document
- Main office may open – follow guidelines
Best Practices

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