

# OSHA COVID-19 Interim Guidance for Specific Worker Groups and Their Employees

The SMCX realizes the worksites we support cover a wide array of job activities in many different work environments, resulting in myriad questions related to employee safety and health (S&H) during the execution of business continuity plans and bringing employees back to work during the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic.

In response to the pandemic, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) released general interim guidance for S&H practices to protect employees against COVID exposures: [https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/controlprevention.html#interim\\_increased\\_risk](https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/controlprevention.html#interim_increased_risk). The OSHA guidance utilizes the hierarchy of controls to help employers identify how to protect employees during this sensitive time.



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Below is also a list of specific guidance OSHA developed for the various worker groups to ensure your plans for employee S&H are in order:

Healthcare	<a href="https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/healthcare-workers.html">osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/healthcare-workers.html</a>
Dentistry	<a href="https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/dentistry.html">osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/dentistry.html</a>
Emergency response and public safety	<a href="https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/emergency-response.html">osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/emergency-response.html</a>
Postmortem care	<a href="https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/postmortem-care.html">osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/postmortem-care.html</a>
Laboratories	<a href="https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/laboratory.html">osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/laboratory.html</a>
Border protection and transportation security	<a href="https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/border-protection-transportation-security.html">osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/border-protection-transportation-security.html</a>
Correctional facility operations	<a href="https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/correctional-facility.html">osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/correctional-facility.html</a>
Solid waste and wastewater management	<a href="https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/solid-waste-wastewater-mgmt.html">osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/solid-waste-wastewater-mgmt.html</a>
Environmental services (i.e., janitorial)	<a href="https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/environmental-services.html">osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/environmental-services.html</a>
Business travelers	<a href="https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/business-travelers.html">osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/business-travelers.html</a>
Manufacturing	<a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-manufacturing-workers-employers.html">cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-manufacturing-workers-employers.html</a> (developed in partnership with CDC)

The CDC also maintains a world map showing all countries with documented cases of COVID-19. View the map at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/global-covid-19/world-map.html>

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