Below is a breakdown of the requirements of the Governor’s latest Executive Orders, which establishes safeguards for employees leaving their residence to work and pursuant to Executive Directive 2020-6 which establishes the Office of Worker Safety.

**THE EO REQUIRES BUSINESSES TO MINIMALLY DO THE FOLLOWING:**

- Develop a COVID-19 preparedness and response plan consistent with OSHA guidelines - a fillable form can be found on the DHD2 COVID-19 website in the business guidance section.
- Designate a work place supervisor to implement, monitor and report on the plan developed as a result of the above requirement.
- Provide COVID-19 training to employees addressing infection control practices, proper use of personal protective equipment (PPE), steps to notify the employer of a positive test or symptoms, and how to report unsafe work conditions.
- Conduct daily entry self-screening of employees including a questionnaire covering symptoms or confirmed exposure to positive people - employee screening forms can be found on the DHD2 COVID-19 website in the business guidance section.
- Maintain a distance of 6 feet between all people at the business to the maximum extent possible using ground markings, etc.
- Provide non-medical grade facemasks to all employees.
- Require face coverings be worn when employees cannot consistently maintain 6 feet of distance from each other.
- Increase disinfection and cleaning of the business with special attention to shared objects and high-touch surfaces.
- Develop protocols to be used for cleaning if there is a positive test at the location.
- Make cleaning supplies available to employees upon arrival at work and allow time for them to wash their hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.
- Notify the local health dept. and co-workers, contractors, or suppliers who may have come into contact with the person within 24 hours of having an employee test positive.
- Follow EO 2020-36 which prohibits any retaliating against employees who stay home or leave work when they are at particular risk of infecting others.
- Establish a response plan to send employees home and temporary closure when dealing with a confirmed infection.
- Restrict business related travel to essential travel only.
- Encourage employees to use PPE and hand sanitizer on public transportation.
- Promote remote work to the fullest extent possible.
- Adopt additional reasonable infection control measures in light of the work performed at the location and the infection rate in the community.
- Maintain records of employee trainings, daily screenings and employees identified with COVID-19 and what steps were taken.
In-Home Services (cleaners, repair persons, painters, etc.) MUST:

☐ Require their employees (or, if sole-owned business, the business owner) to perform a daily health screening prior to going to job site.

☐ Maintain accurate appointment record, including date and time of service, name of client and contact information, to aid with contact tracing.

☐ Limit direct interaction with customers by using electronic means of communication whenever possible.

☐ Prior to entering the home, inquire with the customer whether anyone in the household has been diagnosed with COVID-19, is experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, or has had close contact with someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19. If so, the business or operation must be rescheduled for a different time.

☐ Limit the number of employees inside a home to the minimum number necessary to perform the work in a timely manner.

☐ Gloves should be worn when practical and disposed of in accordance with the guidance from the CDC.

ED 2020-6 creates the Office of Worker Safety and allows someone to be appointed Director of COVID-19 Workplace Safety. The latest EO establishes the workforce safety rules for all businesses across the state as the process of in-person work gradually returns. The Director of Workplace safety (and all agencies required to monitor compliance with workplace safety) will bring enforcement actions against any employer who violates these orders. For DHD2 specific business materials, such as signs and additional guidance documents, please visit https://www.dhd2.org/business-guidance.

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