



**STOP
THE
PANDEMIC**

EU guidance on COVID-19 – BACK TO THE WORKPLACE

Webinar: Return to Work - Global Workplace Strategies & Guidance

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 - governments, employers' and workers' organisations
 - the European Commission



EU-OSHA key activity areas



COVID-19: Resources for the workplace

biological agents).

EU guidance

What can workplaces do in practice to help tackle this pandemic and protect employees? Knowledge and awareness are key — everyone must be well informed about how the virus spreads, the symptoms of infection and how to minimise exposure. Our guidance helps organisations to provide workers with the information they need and put measures in place to prevent infection.

[COVID-19: Back to the workplace - Adapting workplaces and protecting workers](#)

[\(a PDF version\)](#)

[COVID-19: guidance for the workplace](#)

Awareness-raising video [Napo in...stop the pandemic](#)



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[Practical tips to make home-based telework as healthy, safe and effective as possible](#)

[MSD database of practical tools and guidance: telework](#)

Awareness-raising video [Napo is... teleworking to stop the pandemic](#)



Resources from EU and international organisations

European Commission: [webpage on Covid-19](#)

[European Commission: document on Covid-19](#)



EU guidance for a safe return to the workplace



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Minimising exposure to COVID-19 at work

Put in place control measures. Here are some examples:



**Carry out only
essential work for
the time being**



**Reduce as far as
possible physical
contact between
workers**



**Provide all necessary
Personal Protective
Equipment (PPE)**



**Supply soap and
water or
appropriate
hand sanitiser**



**Put in place
policies on
flexible leave
and remote
working**

Managing workers working from home

How to minimise the risks for teleworkers:



**Carry out a risk
assessment**



**Allow workers to
take home
equipment they
use at work**



**Provide guidance on
setting up a
workstation at home**



**Give support
on IT
equipment and
software**



**Ensure good
communication
at all levels**

Resuming work after a period of closure

If your workplace has been closed for reasons related to COVID-19, make a plan for when work resumes that takes account of health and safety. Consider the following:



Update your risk assessment



Support workers who may be suffering from anxiety or stress



Pay special attention to workers at high risk (i.e. older workers, workers with chronic conditions)



Adapt workplaces and work procedures

Last but not least...

The guidance document also provides information on how to:



**Consult and
inform your
workers**



**Take care of
workers who have
been ill**



**Plan and learn for
the future**



Stay well informed



Healthy Workplaces Campaign 2020-22

LIGHTEN THE LOAD

Good Practice Exchange on musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs)

Good practice exchange initiative

- Initiative from Campaign Partners
- Added value for campaign partners
 - Exchange of good practices
 - Better OSH management
- Added value for EU-OSHA
 - Strong link to campaign & reinforcing its messages
 - Improvement of OSH at workplace level
 - Structure for collaboration with different stakeholders
- On-site workshops

Delphi
Technologies



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Thank you...

Any questions?