

# THANK YOU FOR BEING COVID CONSCIOUS!

Alaskans' efforts to keep transmission low have made a difference. It's important to remember that COVID-19 is still a serious health concern in Alaska. As a business owner and/or employer, there's a lot you can do to help prevent increasing the spread. The more we collectively can do, the better Alaska will fare.

## 5 STEPS AS YOU REOPEN RESPONSIBLY

### 1. Know federal, state and local health guidance.

Follow regulations that apply to your business and have a plan in place for keeping a lid on COVID-19.

The CDC offers tools to support your planning:

- [Resuming Business Toolkit](#)
- [Businesses and Workplaces](#)
- [General Business Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [How to Protect Yourself & Others](#)

Follow updates from the State of Alaska

- [Department of Health and Social Services COVID-19](#)
- [Reopen Alaska Responsibly](#)

Consult local authorities to see what additional mandates or guidance apply to your business.

Check with industry associations and industry leads for additional guidance.



### 2. Decide your approach.

The State of Alaska offers a spectrum of printable flyers and materials for you to post in your business and communicate your expectations of employees and customers.

### 3. Explain to employees why you're taking specific measures.

Help employees understand the importance of measures you're taking. Here are some good points to cover:

COVID-19 can spread:

- By people who are not showing symptoms.
- Between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet).
- Through tiny respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes, or talks. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs.

### 4. Show employees how to follow procedures.

Explain your expectations. Consider appointing one or more employees as a designated lead(s) to assist staff with procedures. Provide instructions for how you would like employees to handle questions and concerns from clients.

### 5. Consult with local health authorities if there are cases in your facility or local area.

If you'd like to learn more about what you may need to do if someone in your workplace is sick or tests positive for COVID-19, review this [CDC Business FAQ](#).