



## Your employer's responsibilities

It is your employer's responsibility to ensure a safe and healthy work environment.

Every employer should have a written Infectious Disease Response Plan. Has your employer amended the plan to respond to the Coronavirus?

Your employer also has a responsibility to enforce the plan.

As stay-at-home orders are slowly being lifted, know that your Workers United leaders are working on protocols to ensure a safer and healthier environment for you to return to.



## What is contact tracing?

Contact Tracing is a strategy that public health officials use to protect communities from further spread of a virus.

According to the CDC contact tracing guidelines, anyone who has been in close contact with someone with the virus will be alerted if they were *“within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes starting from 48 hours before illness onset until the time the patient is isolated. They should stay home, maintain social distancing, and self-monitor until 14 days from the last date of exposure.”*

Workers United encourages our members to embrace the idea of contact tracing. We must play our part in preventing further spread of the virus.

If you have the virus, you will likely be asked by health professionals about your activities over the past 48 hours – where you have been, and who you have interacted with. With this information, contact tracers will reach out to everyone whom you interacted with to alert them to their exposure to the virus. Federal law forbids contact tracers and health professionals to reveal your identity. Your employer is also required to inform those working closely with you about their exposure, but they are not allowed to reveal your identity.

If a contact tracer calls you to let you know that you may potentially have been exposed to the virus, the CDC encourages you to stay home and maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet from everyone for 14 days, in case you get sick. You should also check your temperature two times a day, and monitor for cough or shortness of breath. If you develop symptoms, isolate yourself, and see a doctor.

# CONTACT TRACING

Reaching out to anyone who came into direct contact with an individual who tested presumptive positive with COVID-19 to see if they have developed symptoms and if they need to be tested.

