

Risk Assessment

Practical approaches to COVID-19 Risk Assessments

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Identify the hazard	<p>The COVID-19 virus is a highly contagious respiratory virus.</p> <p>Some of the common ways in which the virus is spread (in addition to direct contact) are through the air, via droplets, and through contact with contaminated surfaces.</p>																		
Identify who can be harmed	<p>The following table provides a list of potential hazards, a list of potential impacts, and a list of potential controls.</p> <table border="1"><thead><tr><th>Hazard</th><th>Potential Impact</th><th>Potential Control</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>_____</td><td>_____</td><td>_____</td></tr><tr><td>_____</td><td>_____</td><td>_____</td></tr><tr><td>_____</td><td>_____</td><td>_____</td></tr><tr><td>_____</td><td>_____</td><td>_____</td></tr><tr><td>_____</td><td>_____</td><td>_____</td></tr></tbody></table>	Hazard	Potential Impact	Potential Control	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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<p>Decide the level of risk (with control measures)</p>	<p>To assess the level of risk, consider the following factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The nature of the activity and the number of people involved. The location of the activity and the ventilation of the space. The duration of the activity and the frequency of contact between people. The health status of the people involved. The effectiveness of the control measures in place. <p>Assess the risk of COVID-19 transmission based on the above factors.</p>
<p>Review existing measures that may need to be strengthened</p>	<p>Consider the following measures that may need to be strengthened:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical distancing and the use of barriers. Hand hygiene and the use of hand sanitizer. Face mask use and the use of face shields. Regular cleaning and disinfection of surfaces. Improved ventilation and air filtration.
<p>Keep your workforce and people informed</p>	<p>Make sure that your workforce and other people involved are informed of the risk and the measures in place to reduce the risk of COVID-19.</p> <p>Keep people informed of any changes to the risk assessment and the measures in place.</p>
<p>Stay up to date with guidance</p>	<p>Guidance on risk management for COVID-19 is constantly changing. Stay up to date with the latest guidance from the relevant authorities.</p> <p>Make sure that your workforce and other people involved are informed of any changes to the risk assessment and the measures in place.</p>
<p>Keep a record</p>	<p>Keep a record of the risk assessment and the measures in place. This record should be reviewed regularly and updated as needed.</p> <p>Keep a record of any changes to the risk assessment and the measures in place.</p>

