

## **COVID-19 Related Consulting Services**



## Serving Boston, Massachusetts and New England

There is concern amongst the general public and employees that must continue to work during the Coronavirus Pandemic. It is important to address the safety and health



needs\concerns of employees, visitors and the public at large. We have a team of certified industrial hygienist's that can guide you as your company tries to maintain operations and prepare to re-introduce workers into facilities and construction job sites when health officials deem the pandemic outbreak has been minimized. Key services include:

- 1. Develop, in advance, customized policies for your facility or construction site. These include but are not limited to:
  - a. Cleaning procedures
  - b. Personal Protective Equipment Requirements
  - c. Hazard communication
- 2. Develop, in advance, customized training and/or informational tool-box talks for your cleaning staff, returning workforce or your management team.
- 3. Conduct Project Site Audits to ensure that the COVID-19 state requirements are being implemented as intended. Massachusetts requires that construction sites have a COVID-19 Officer. We can act as that designated person or perform a third party audit verifying that conditions in that state directive are being fulfilled.
- 4. Conduct third party verification that a workplace has been cleaned\sanitized following industry standards. Proper assessment of the effectiveness of cleaning involves a professionally performed industrial hygiene field survey. This assessment would include observing current site conditions, investigating site history, reviewing information/documents related to the virus concern, and performing surface testing. The following sampling techniques are available:

a. Surface swab sampling for cleanliness (Adenosine Triphosphate (ATP)) – This is a direct, instantaneous test with results in the field. This test can provide information about surface cleanliness. Please note that viruses do NOT contain ATP in them. This testing in combination with; following a detailed written cleaning procedure and



the proper use of an EPA Certified Cleaner, can provide greater assurance that your facility is clean and ready for your workers/occupants.

b. An additional set of swab samples can be collected and sent to a laboratory for verification that there is no virus present using a Novel Biological Indicator analysis. This is the ultimate in providing documentation of wheter Coronavirus is present on surfaces or not. This type of testing could be important to show workers and/or the general public that the facility they are re-entering has been properly disinfected.

Let us help you get your facility employees ready to get back to work by ensuring cleanliness and providing a level of assurance to the occupants that conditions are as safe as possible.

Call one of our experts today to discuss how Cashins & Associates can assist you navigating the issues related to the Coronavirus Pandemic.

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