

COVID-19: Guidance for Employee Screening from the Wyoming Department of Health

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Background

Modified public health orders designed to limit the spread of the COVID-19 virus take effect on June 15, 2020. Some changes and exceptions in the modified orders include recommendations for screening employees for potential illness at various types of businesses. Questions regarding enforcement and interpretation of closure orders can be directed to your County Public Health Office.

A copy of the current statewide orders can be found at here: <https://covid19.wyo.gov/>.

General Guidance

The Wyoming Department of Health recommends the following COVID-19 illness screening questions for businesses to use with employees:

Do you currently have any of the following:

- Fever (100.4 Fahrenheit or higher) or feeling feverish?
- Chills?
- A new or worsening cough not caused by another health condition?
- New or worsening shortness of breath or difficulty breathing not caused by another health condition?
- New or worsening fatigue not caused by another health condition?
- New or worsening muscle or body aches not caused by another health condition?
- New or worsening headache that is not normal for you and not caused by another health condition?
- New loss of sense of taste or smell?
- Sore throat?
- Congestion or runny nose?
- Nausea or vomiting?
- Diarrhea?

In the last two weeks, have you had close contact (within 6 feet for at least 10 minutes) with someone diagnosed with COVID-19?

If the answer to any of these questions is “yes” then the employee should be sent home and directed to contact their healthcare provider.

More resources from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for businesses and employers can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/businesses-employers.html>.

For more information about the COVID-19 outbreak please visit: health.wyo.gov or cdc.gov.

