

Best Practices for Getting Back to Work with COVID-19

The CDC has provided overarching set of best practices for getting the country “back to work.” But as a collective of 50 states, there will be variations of how and when particular states open up from Quarantine. So it’s important that you use the baseline of the CDC safety practices as your guiding tool.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/critical-workers/implementing-safety-practices.html>

Yet, it’s a best practice by various leads within your organization to check out your own state’s requirements. Visit your states website (*which is always your state’s name with a .gov at the end of it*) for more information specific to their reopening program.

Because your state may not be working on reopening yet, we are providing an example of what you can expect when your state does. The State of Ohio has released a “Responsible Restart” program, it covers a number of industries and business types, but Ohio has yet to set standards that would allow schools, daycares, restaurants, or large crowd events to resume.

The State of Ohio has provided guidelines for:

- Manufacturing, Distribution, & Construction
- Consumer, Retail, & Services
- General Office Environments

<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/responsible-restart-ohio/Sector-Specific-Operating-Requirements/Sector-Specific-Operating-Requirements>

Once at their site, they’ve provided more specific instructions, guidelines, and standards that are more specific than what is found within the CDC website.



Below you’ll see a link to an example in .pdf form of Ohio’s plan for Manufacturing, Distribution, & Construction, which includes items like:

- Guidelines for Reopening a Business’ physical location
- State Mandatory Requirements to reopen a business
- Recommended Best Practices
- Information on best practices for:
 - o Employees, Distributors, & Guests
 - o Shift Patterns
 - o Physical Spaces / Workstations
 - o Confirmed Cases of COVID-19

<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/static/responsible/Manufacturing-Distribution-Construction.pdf>