Protecting Ohio's Workforce – We've Got You Covered

In our continued partnership with employers to create safe workplaces across our state, we at the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation are happy to provide you with the enclosed face coverings for you and your employees. These face coverings are intended to support and enhance, not replace, any efforts you already have in place to weaken the impact of the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) on all Ohioans.

Under the direction of Governor Mike DeWine, we are sending Ohio employers covered by BWC these non-medical-grade face coverings — funded from our existing budget and at no impact to your premium — as our latest effort to support our employer community and workforce through this public health emergency. (To learn more about our efforts on this front, visit our COVID-19 Information page at bwc.ohio.gov.)

While these face coverings don't guarantee protection from COVID-19, public health experts indicate they lessen the risk for carriers to transmit the virus to others.

Remember, as Governor DeWine reminds us, We're All in This Together Ohio! On behalf of Governor DeWine and all of us at BWC, we wish you every success and all the best through these challenging times.

Sincerely,

Stephanie McCloud

Stephanie McCloud Administrator, CEO, The Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation





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Questions & Answers

What employers are eligible for these face coverings?

Ohio employers covered by the State Insurance Fund that report payroll and are in good standing with BWC.

Can I order more?

We are not taking orders for additional face coverings, but we will continue to assess the needs of our employer community and workforce and how we can help throughout this pandemic.

We have plenty of face coverings, can we return these?

Please do not return these items to BWC. We strongly encourage you to share extras with local organizations in need, such as a school or nursing home, as well as with family members of your employees.

Will I be billed for these items or see my premium go up as a result?

No, they are funded through existing dollars in our FY 2020 budget. This will not impact your premium.

Are these the N-95 masks I hear so much about?

No, these are simple, non-medical-grade face coverings suitable for in-home use and at most work and public places.

For more tips on preventing the spread of COVID-19, visit coronavirus.ohio.gov. For questions about BWC as it relates to COVID-19, please visit our COVID-19 Information page at bwc.ohio.gov or email us at BWCCOVID19@ bwc.state.oh.us.

Connect with us on social media when you share how you're keeping your employees safe!



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