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# Employee steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19

### Clean your hands often

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Rub your hands together until they feel dry.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

### Avoid close contact

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Put **distance between yourself and other people**. This is especially important for older adults and people who have serious underlying medical conditions like: heart disease, diabetes, lung disease.

#### Take steps to protect others

- Stay home if you are sick, except to get medical care.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or use the inside of your elbow.
- Throw used tissues in the trash.
- Immediately **wash your hands** with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, clean your hands with a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.

#### Clean and disinfect

- Clean AND disinfect frequently touched surfaces multiple times throughout the day. This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.
- Avoid using other employees' phones, desks, offices, or other work tools and equipment, when possible. If necessary, clean and disinfect them before and after use.
- If surfaces are dirty, clean them: Use detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection.

## If you are sick

- STAY HOME!
- If you are experience fever, cough, or shortness of breath; call your supervisor and notify them that you will not be coming to work and Contact your Health Care Provider for further guidance.
- Employees who are well but who have a sick family member at home with COVID-19 should notify their supervisor.
- For information regarding Families First Coronavirus Response Act: Employee Expanded Family and Medical Leave Rights, visit <a href="https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic/ffcra-employee-paid-leave">https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic/ffcra-employee-paid-leave</a>
- For common Questions and Answers regarding Families First Coronavirus Response Act, visit https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic/ffcra-questions

The Health Department does not have the ability to test for COVID-19. **Testing is given through Health Care Providers in the community.** Cortland County residents who are experiencing coronavirus symptoms need to **call their doctor**, who will coordinate any necessary testing. For people who don't have a primary-care physician, they can call Upstate Medical University at (315) 464-3979 or Cayuga Health's Call Center at (607) 319-5708.

To make sure you are receiving accurate updates regarding COVID-19in Cortland County; please refer the Cortland County Health Department's Website and Facebook page.