

# EU guidance for a safe return to the workplace



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# Minimising exposure to COVID-19 at work

Put in place control measures. Here are some examples:



**Carry out only essential work for the time being**



**Reduce as far as possible physical contact between workers**



**Provide all necessary Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**



**Supply soap and water or appropriate hand sanitiser**



**Put in place policies on flexible leave and remote working**

# Managing workers working from home

## How to minimise the risks for teleworkers:



**Carry out a risk assessment**



**Allow workers to take home equipment they use at work**



**Provide guidance on setting up a workstation at home**



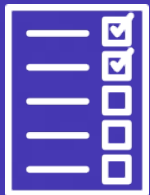
**Give support on IT equipment and software**



**Ensure good communication at all levels**

# Resuming work after a period of closure

If your workplace has been closed for reasons related to COVID-19, make a plan for when work resumes that takes account of health and safety. Consider the following:



**Update your risk assessment**



**Support workers who may be suffering from anxiety or stress**



**Pay special attention to workers at high risk (i.e. older workers, workers with chronic conditions)**



**Adapt workplaces and work procedures**

# Last but not least...

The guidance document also provides information on how to:



**Consult and  
inform your  
workers**



**Take care of  
workers who  
have been ill**



**Plan and learn for  
the future**



**Stay well  
informed**