Your weekly COVID-19 news and updates

In our continued commitment to provide best-in-class service for our clients and business partners, we have augmented existing business continuity protocols. We have recalibrated operations as necessary to timely assess and address client needs considering the continually evolving situation. Our service will be seamless for our clients. Lockton Associates are equipped and prepared to continue delivering the highest quality of service, including advice related to COVID-19.

We value the trust you have placed in our business and look forward to supporting you and providing expert guidance to prepare your business and your people from potential impact. Be sure to periodically check our Coronavirus Advisory Practice page for the latest updates.

For the most up-to-date news on this fast-developing situation, always refer to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Available this afternoon: COVID-19 webcast

Today our experts dive deeper into federal government requirements and obligations as businesses are forced to operate with a limited or remote workforce. As these policies are implemented, there are several items to take into consideration, such as leave guidelines, workers' compensation exposure, closed schools/day cares and more.

Check out the Coronavirus Advisory Practice page for the webcast release.

Last week's resources

In case you missed it, we released a variety of resources and guides to help businesses prepare for the potential impact the coronavirus has on their business and their people.

IRS gives HSA-compatible plans green light to pay for COVID-19

COVID-19 and the potential impact on your retirement plan

Webcast replay: Preparing your business for the coronavirus

Coronavirus bill: Congress passes legislation that imposes temporary paid leave and healthcare mandates on employers

The House spent part of this past weekend again addressing the coronavirus. Additional changes to the House legislation were made Monday, sending to the Senate a bill that would directly impact employers. The bill implements two new fast-tracked temporary paid leave requirements and mandates health plan coverage for coronavirus testing. The Senate has passed the legislation which, has been signed by President Donald Trump.

Click to see the Alert discussing the full bill and the accompanying table, both of which reflect the most recent legislation passed by the House and Senate.

View the Alert
Fever screens and benefits continuation

Employers everywhere are acting fast to protect their employees, their products and their customers from the coronavirus and its fallout. Read the Alert from Lockton Compliance Services for details on these two hot topics.

Read the Alert

Coronavirus: Exposures of remote workers

Companies across the globe are implementing remote work policies to do their part in slowing down the spread of the coronavirus. While employees are working remotely, it is important for employers to consider how to manage an employee's exposure to injury away from the office. Take a look at our experts’ recommended guidelines to proactively manage the exposure of the remote workforce.

Read more

Retirement stock market update and plan sponsor support

Daily updates provide plan sponsors with guidance and perspective on the economy, the market, and the potential implications to their retirement plans. Find strategies to help employers manage retirement benefits and education to help employees make smarter choices during volatile times.

View the latest update

Unemployment compensation guide

State unemployment compensation and temporary disability program authorities are issuing guidance on the availability of benefits due to illness, reduced hours, furloughs and layoffs related to the coronavirus. See the current lineup of states that have issued guidance here.

Download the guide

COVID-19: The benefits implications of a pandemic in the making

Join our hosts Edward Fensholt, J.D., Director of Compliance Services, and Scott Behrens, J.D., Director of Government Relations, as they discuss the impact of COVID-19 on employer benefit plans. Along with Pam Popp, President of Retirement Services, and Stacie Engelmann, Senior HR Consultant, they address how the coronavirus affects ERISA compliance, actuarial trends, retirement, HR and public policy.

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Coronavirus FAQs

As the impact of the coronavirus continues to grow, our experts have been working hard to address concerns from all aspects of the business. We have created a frequently asked questions document that addresses concerns including multinational employer obligations, benefits liability, risk management, crisis communication, healthcare impact and more. This document will be updated on a weekly basis to provide you with the most recent questions, answers and guidance.

View the FAQs

Coronavirus insurance coverage and claims guidance

With the exposure of the coronavirus increasing, organizations are evaluating the potential coverage which may be triggered from their insurance policies. Actual loss situations and a review of individual policy forms will be a crucial step to properly evaluate potential available coverage application. View our guide to learn more about the factors that will be examined in the event losses related to the coronavirus occur.

Download the guide

Understanding COVID-19 for individuals and institutions

Lockton as a Verb is back early to discuss how the COVID-19 health crisis is different, the threats to employers and individuals and solutions for the future. To better understand all these topics, Christopher Laubenthal, MPA, Data and Visualization Consultant sits down with Lockton's Chief Medical Officer Dr. Shealynn Buck. Dr. Buck is a member of Lockton’s Coronavirus Advisory Practice with two decades of medical experience.

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