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GCCA Update on COVID-19

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Today's Speakers



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Agenda

- Government Affairs and News Update
- GCCA Resources and Guides Update
- Q&A

Work with Association Partners

- [*Key Points for the Food and Beverage Industry*](#)
- Consumer Brands Association [formerly GMA]
- Food Marketing Institute
- American Frozen Food Association
- United Fresh Produce Association
- North American Meat Institute
- National Restaurant Association
- National Grocers Association

Work with Government Agencies

- Inclusion of **Food Supply** listed as part of Critical Infrastructure in [*The President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America - 15 Days to Slow the Spread*](#)
- Four key areas that GCCA is communicating to government agencies.
 - Deem warehouse facilities “critical infrastructure”
 - Warehouse facilities should have priority access to COVID-19 testing
 - Warehouse facilities should have priority access to cleaning supplies
 - FMCSA hours of exemption should include transport from production facility to warehouse facility

Relief Legislation – Sick and Paid Leave

- President signed second relief bill on March 18th
- GCCA worked with coalition partners to make provisions more workable
- Paid leave provisions apply to companies with fewer than 500 employees
- Companies with fewer than 50 employees will be allowed to opt out of the provisions if they would jeopardize business viability.
- Employees would get two weeks of sick leave
- Sick leave is to be paid at the usual pay rate – capped at \$511 per day
- Employers initially pay for the sick leave but are fully reimbursed by the federal government within three months through refundable tax credits that count against employers' payroll tax

Relief Legislation – Sick and Paid Leave

- The bill entitles employees parents taking care of children due to closed schools and day cares up to 10 weeks of paid leave.
- First 14 days of leave may be unpaid, then employees will be paid based on their normally scheduled hours and can be paid no less than two-thirds of their regular pay rate (capped at \$200 per day)
- Employees may claim paid leave for any of the following reasons related to the coronavirus public-health emergency:
 - They have been exposed to the coronavirus or exhibit symptoms of it.
 - They are recommended to quarantine by a healthcare provider and cannot work from home.
 - They need to care for a family member who has been exposed to or exhibits symptoms of the coronavirus.
 - They need to care for a child younger than 18 years old because their school or day care is closed, or their childcare provider is unavailable.
- Policy is in effect through the end of the year.

Work with News Outlets

- Print and television interviews
- Provide information on the health and safety of the supply chain and allay fears of food shortages
- Make the case for the importance of the cold chain
- Washington Post, CNBC, NPR, Trade Publications etc.

GCCA Resources

- In an effort to provide you with the latest updates and resources regarding this challenge, we created a clearinghouse page which is being monitored and updated daily:
[https://www.gcca.org/resources/responding-coronavirus.](https://www.gcca.org/resources/responding-coronavirus)

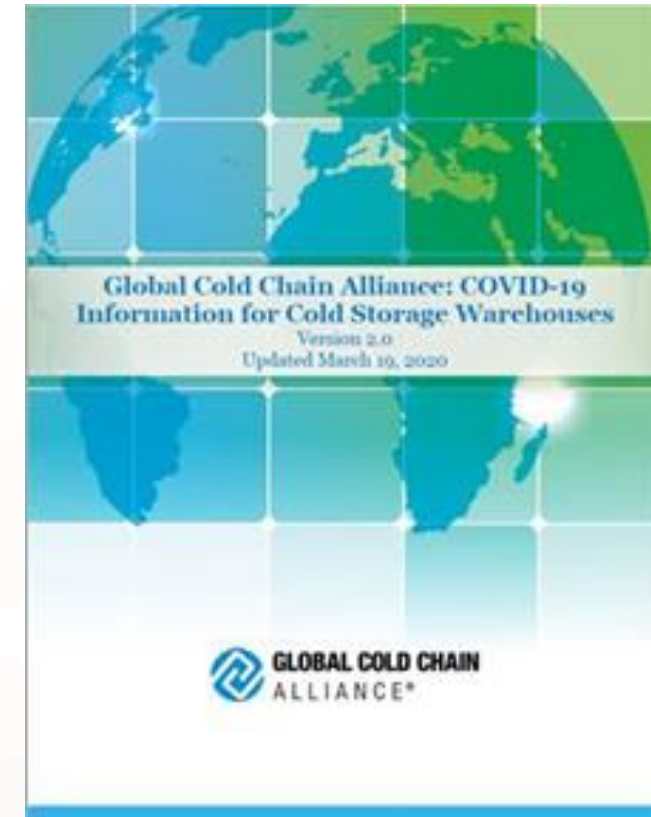
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GCCA Resources

- GCCA COVID-19 Information Guide Version 2.0
 - Background
 - Planning
 - Responding
 - Recovering
 - Resources
- Added information from the FDA released 18 March outlining what to do if an employee tests positive



GCCA Resources

WFLO Scientific Advisory Council

- Member-only resource
- Recently Submitted Questions
 - Can the COVID-19 virus survive in cold storage?
 - Do you have an action plan for our warehouses?
 - Where can we source thermometers for our employees?
 - Are warehouses seeing an uptick in the storage of proteins during this event?

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Online Community

- A place to ask questions of your colleagues and share information that may be helpful
- <http://community.gcca.org/home>

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