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# COVID 19 AND THE FUTURE OF FURNITURE

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## COVID 19 + THE FUTURE OF FURNITURE | FORECAST

- Products which create division + social distancing
- Quick-ship + easy assembly home office packages
- Materials – easy to clean, bleach cleanable, non-porous hard surfaces, anti-bacterial and antimicrobial
- Anti-bacterial technology integrated into products and materials - Silver Ion, UV/Blue Light, Nanotechnology, Copper Infused
- Sanitation products integrated into all work settings
- Agile furniture for flexibility in the open plan and in conference and meeting rooms
- Leasing vs buying furniture
- Hands-free adjustment features



- Benching workstations
- Open workstations with no screens
- High density meeting rooms + spaces
- Soft + porous materials
- Products with a lot of seams or metal folds
- High contact unassigned spaces
- Shared storage and unassigned lockers
- Personal belongings and bags set on floor

# COVID 19 + THE FUTURE OF FURNITURE | EXISTING FURNITURE ADD, RETROFIT, REPLACE

Short-Term   Now	Mid-Term   By August
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Add 24"H hard surfaced stacker on all panels or center beam and around 3-side of the adjustable or fixed table</li><li>• Increase size of primary worksurface or rotate desks to create distance</li><li>• Replace worksurfaces with non-porous material and seamless edges</li><li>• Retrofit adjustable handset on height adjustable tables to hands-free</li><li>• Replace soft seating collaborative areas with hard surface tables and chairs that can be cleaned easily or with antimicrobial, vinyl, crypton, copper infused textiles already in market</li><li>• Add free-standing, hard surface space dividers in high density areas</li><li>• Add tall laminate gallery panels to workstations or benching stations</li><li>• Add additional storage or divider on top of 21" or 29"H storage to create a higher barrier</li><li>• Add a drawer for keyboard and mouse when station is not in use</li><li>• Sanitation caddies and stands for wipes, hand-sanitizers in every work setting</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Laminate open storage caddy for personal contents</li><li>• Replacement arm caps on task and conferencing chairs which are easy to clean and antibacterial</li><li>• Protective covers for task chair adjustment levers</li></ul>

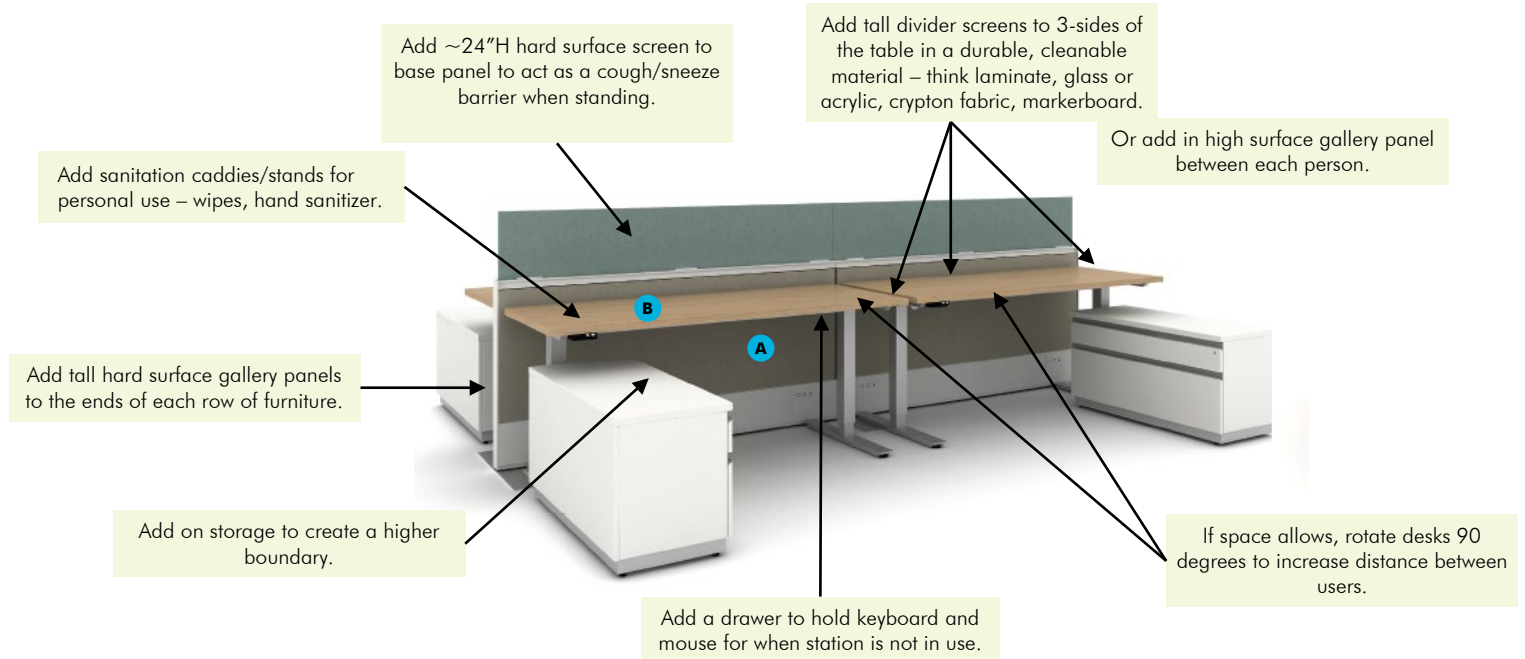
## COVID 19 + THE FUTURE OF FURNITURE | NEW FURNITURE + MATERIALS

Short-Term   Now	Mid-Term   By August	Long-Term   End of 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Healthcare materials and surfaces to be applied to office products</li><li>• Quick ship easy to assemble home office packages</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Addition of anti-bacterial agents to existing materials</li><li>• Bleach cleanable products that meet the office design aesthetics</li><li>• Soft seating that have a solid surface or poly arm cap options</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Task chairs with an anti-bacterial and self-sanitizing textiles and fewer adjustment mechanisms</li><li>• More hands-free adjustment mechanisms</li><li>• Silver Ion, Nanotechnology integrated into high touch products to kill bacteria automatically</li><li>• Reduction of seams and folds on products</li></ul>

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If the workstation has:

- A** Freestanding panels
- B** Freestanding height-adjustable tables



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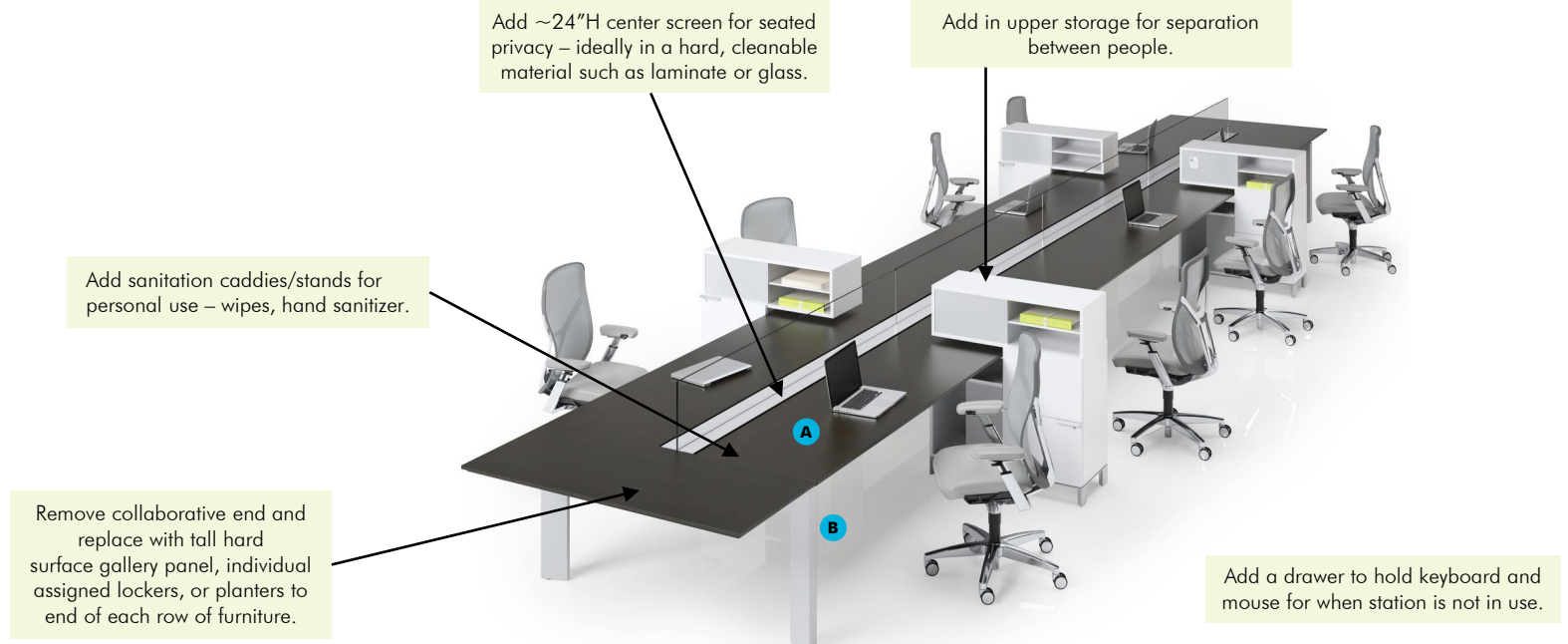
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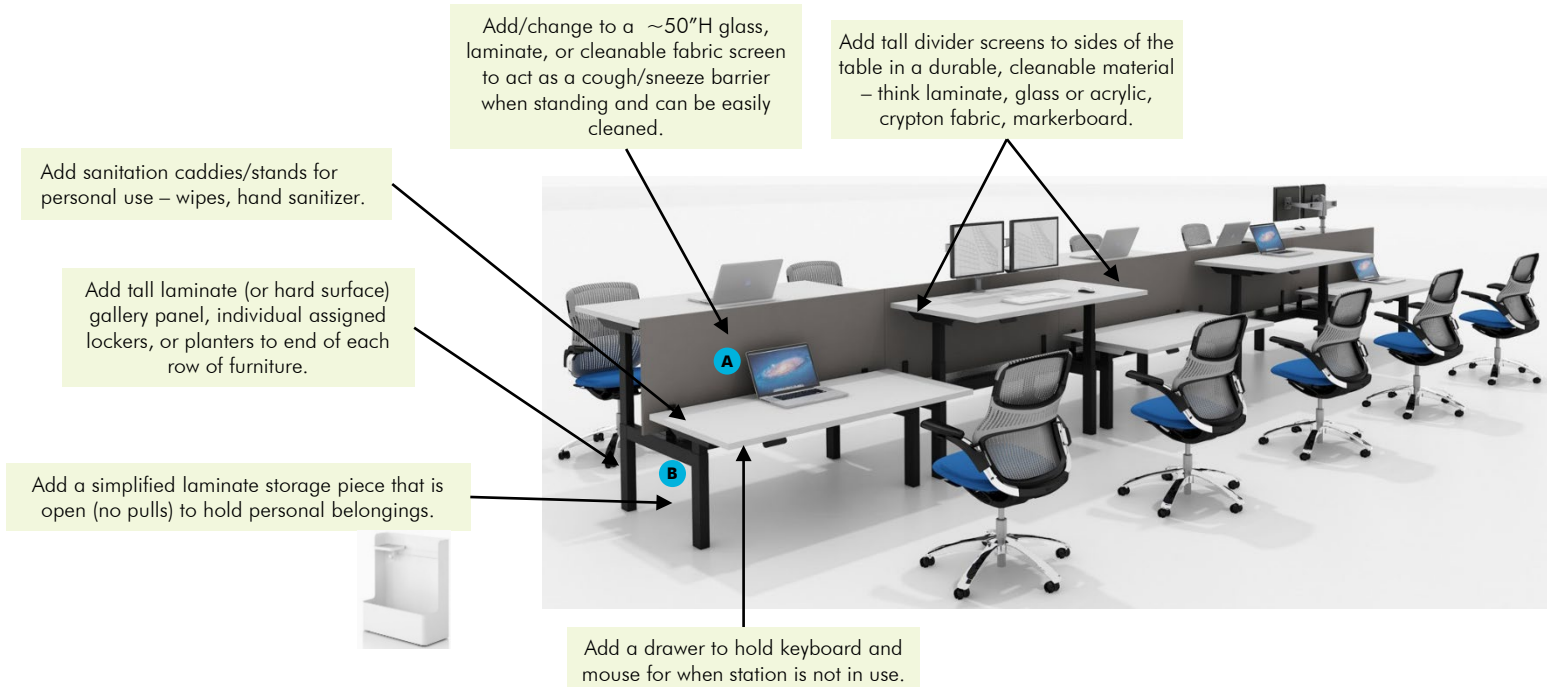




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If the workstation has:

- A** Height adjustable worksurface
- B** Height adjustable legs that are integrated into a center beam.





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If the workstation has:

- A** Power fence spine
- B** Collaborative areas between people

Add sanitation caddies/stands for personal use – wipes, hand sanitizer.

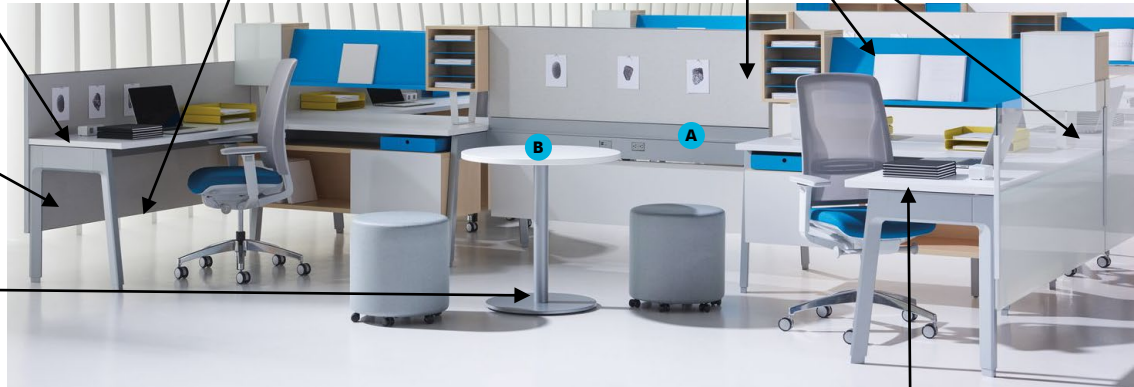


Add a simplified laminate storage piece that is open (no pulls) to hold personal belongings.

Add/change screens to a hard surface or cleanable fabric to be ~50" (seated height barrier) - 72" (standing height barrier) off the floor.

Add tall hard surface or cleanable fabric panel or screen to end of the desk.

Remove collaborative table and ottomans and replace with a hard surface divider, such as below, or a mobile markerboard.



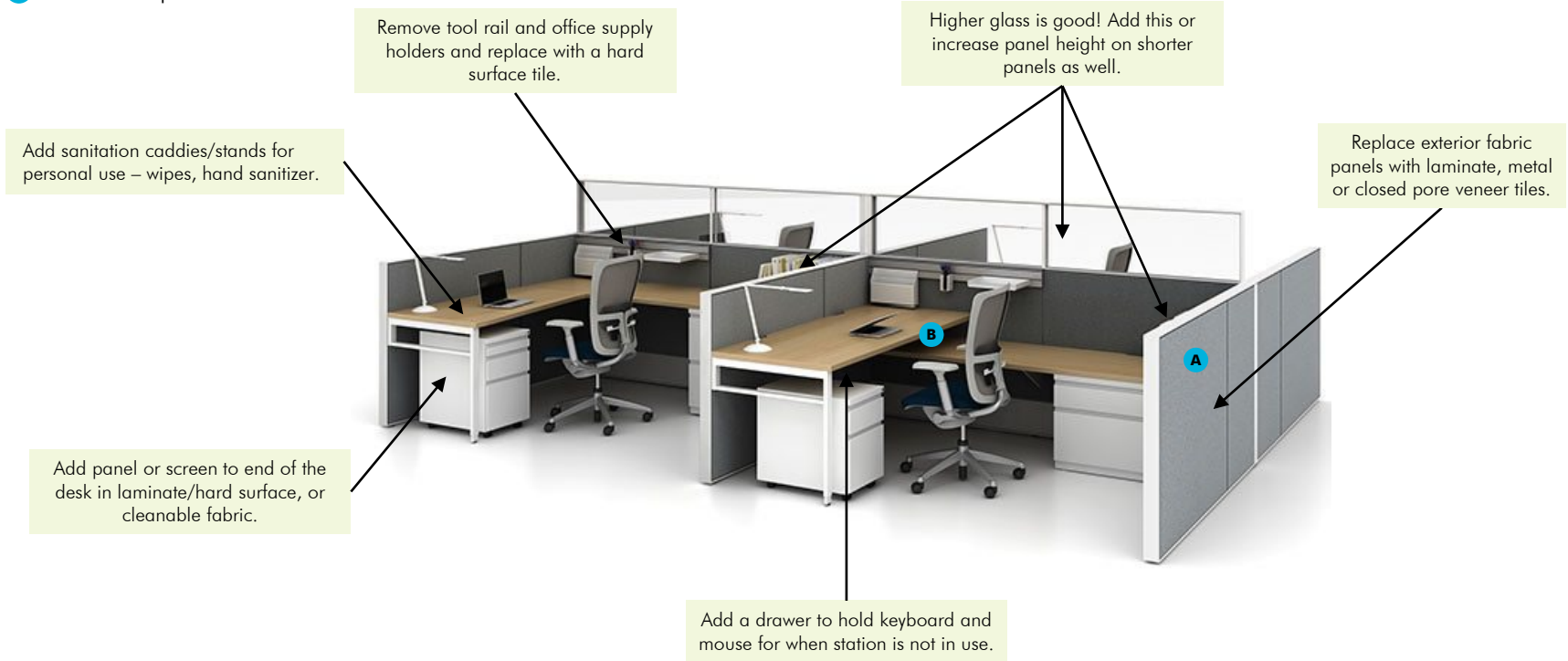
Back-to-back layouts are ideal for not spreading germs!

Add a drawer to hold keyboard and mouse for when station is not in use.

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If the workstation has:

- A** Panel based
- B** L or U shaped



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## Private Office





# THANK YOU

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