



COVID-19 Exposures

Exposures:

If members have been exposed (unprotected exposure) and are sent home the Union is not notified unless the member tests positive. Reach out to a steward if you have questions.

OPSEU's guidance is:

When workers are exposed or have COVID that they think arises from work:

- Complete the WSIB Exposure form and to submit to WSIB, keeping a copy (and get a file number)
- collect answers to the questions that OPSEU's WSIB specialist has put together to have the evidence you need to prove work relatedness.
- Completing an IRS will provide notice to the Union.

How far in advance of close contact do contacts have to be traced?

- Public health traces contacts back for the previous 48 hours from the time a person started to be sick.
- And clearance should be 14 days after symptom onset, or two negative tests within 24 hours.
- PH Management of Cases and Contacts of COVID-19 in Ontario March 25 Version 6 says on page 8, "provide information to the individual for advising those who they had close contact with to also self-isolate for 14 days from last contact". This applies to those in the same household and anyone else who had close contact when they were sick and not self-isolating, and up to 2 days (48 hours) before they were sick."