



SENECA COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT

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Health Commissioner*

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Dear Seneca County Employer,

I am writing to ask you to send the Seneca County General Health District the statement you should have created outlining specifically why you are an essential business. This does not apply to those who are known essential businesses such as groceries and pharmacies. Also some of you have already sent your statements, so you don't have to repeat the process. I am requiring that you do this and that you return it to my office by Wednesday, April 1. You may email it to me at: bschweitzer@senecahealthdept.org.

We have had many complaints about many businesses not following the crucial requirements of social distancing of at least 6 feet between employees at all times, not providing hand sanitizer, and not regularly cleaning and sanitizing surfaces that are touched by many people. These are not suggestions; these are requirements to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Also you should ask employees to take temperatures before coming to work. When they arrive check with them to see how they are feeling. If someone has obvious symptoms of illness send them home.

My employees have contacted those businesses about whom we have received complaints of noncompliance with the above measures. The health district does have the authority to shut down a business that are is not essential and/or are not following the mandated measures. We would prefer your cooperation.

Please do your part in preventing the spread of COVID 19. It takes everyone working together.

Yours truly,

Beth M. Schweitzer