



PROTECTIONS FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES DURING THE PANDEMIC

AFSCME/ASEA Local 52 continues to put worker safety first during one of the most disruptive pandemics of our lifetimes. Together, our voices remain strong and powerful when it comes to workplace safety. Below is a brief summary of what we've accomplished and what we're still working on, together!

ACHIEVED:



Employer-paid quarantine: Employees required to quarantine receive paid administrative leave for up to 10 days when unable to telework.



Telework: Telework allowances for eligible workers have increased tremendously thanks to all of our pressure and we continue to advocate for this accommodation as long as appropriate.



Employee Screenings: After numerous meetings and requests from employees, screenings became a requirement in 24-hr facilities as an extra precaution to keep staff and residents of the facilities, safe.



Statewide PPE: The Governor implemented a directive for state employees, and members of the public visiting state facilities, to practice physical distancing and wear appropriate face coverings.

IN PROGRESS:

Together, we've made tremendous progress around workplace safety but there's more to do! Employers must take actions that protect employees, families, and communities during this pandemic.



Hazard and Courageous Duty Pay: We are asking for premium pay for employees that are at an increased risk of COVID-19 exposure.



Consistent & Comprehensive Communications: State agencies must adhere to public health guidance and inform employees of potential exposure in a clear, consistent, and comprehensive manner.

Help slow the spread of coronavirus and ensure safety on the job!

Contact your shop steward, business agent, or ASEA immediately if you feel your health and safety, or the health and safety of your co-workers, are at risk

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