

## MEMBER BULLETIN

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### **Ministry of Labour Publishes Construction Health and Safety Guideline for COVID19**

On March 29, the Ministry of Labour, Training, and Skills Development (MOLTSD) published its construction site health and safety guidelines for operating during the COVID19 outbreak (available at the following link: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/construction-site-health-and-safety-during-covid-19>). The guidelines include a collection of resources that employers can use to inform their own specific health and safety policies and protocols, including 'evergreen' links to the most up-to-date information on local, provincial, federal, and international efforts to limit the spread of the virus.

For those member companies who are still operating, we strongly recommend that you review the information carefully and ensure that these guidelines are being closely followed. Over the weekend a number of construction sites were issued Stop Work orders from the MOLTSD for poor sanitary conditions. The general feedback being received on the sewer and watermain construction sector is that we are managing sites very well, but need to keep a closer watch on physical distancing on job sites.

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