

Invitation to DOL/OSHA Listening Session: Tuesday, March 9 @ 1:00 p.m. EST

We are reaching out to you in your capacity as a valuable OSHA stakeholder. On January 21, President Biden issued an Executive Order on Protecting Worker Health and Safety. The Executive Order directed OSHA to issue revised guidance to employers on workplace safety during the Covid-19 pandemic, which OSHA issued on January 29. The Executive Order also directed OSHA to launch a nationwide enforcement program to focus its enforcement resources on the most serious Covid-19 risks and to determine whether emergency temporary standards on Covid-19 in the workplace were necessary, and if so, to issue them by March 15. Those processes are now underway at OSHA, and we seek substantive input from a broad cross-section of interests and perspectives.

You are invited to participate in a listening session alongside other tribal leaders. The listening session will be hosted by Tricia Smith, Senior Counselor to the Secretary of Labor, on **Tuesday, March 9 at 1:00 p.m. EST**. Please use the link provided below to access the meeting. Based on the number of responses, participants will have a set number of minutes to share your views (likely 3 minutes). OSHA will benefit most from hearing concrete and specific feedback on your experience with successful efforts and challenges in mitigating the spread of COVID-19 in the workplace.

We look forward to hearing from you at this session and hope you are able to attend.

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