



- **Why isn't everyone getting tested?** The Health Dept. determines the need for testing based on exposure risk. If you are working on the same platoon as someone who tested positive, and they were symptomatic, and you worked with him/her within 24 hours of their symptoms, then you will be tested and quarantined until your test results come back.
- **What if I was exposed to someone out on a run who was found to be COVID-19 positive?** We will be notified by the Health Department, the ICO, and or the hospital. Depending you're your risk either High, Medium, or Low (i.e.. If you had full PPE on or not) we will determine your next steps.
- **What should I do if one of my immediate close family contacts gets sick and is tested but the results are not back yet?** Stay at home and monitor yourself until results come back.
- **How do I clean high-touch surfaces such as tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, sinks, et?.** For disinfection, diluted household bleach solutions, alcohol solutions with at least 70% alcohol, and most common EPA-registered household disinfectants should be effective. Diluted household bleach solutions can be used if appropriate for the surface. Prepare a bleach solution by mixing: 5 tablespoons (1/3<sup>rd</sup> cup) bleach per gallon of water or 4 teaspoons bleach per quart of water
- **I received an email from the city, today, to all the employees of the city which has contradictory information in it, what or who should I be listening to?** The Health Department did not vet that email and has stated that a revision to that email will be sent out asap. For Fire Department personnel you are to follow department procedures.
- **With everything going on the level of anxiety within the department is rising; Is there anything you can tell us to calm us down a bit?** The short answer is that we all know this is a scary time, but we have to be supportive of each other and listen to facts, not rumors. There are multiple websites from the department and health department to check all fact. You also have to remember, it's easy to say but extremely hard to do, Stay away from Social Media at this time; this is the number one causes of and social anxiety. But also remember, The department is doing everything they can to get everyone PPE, and as long as you follow protocols and procedures, you will be increasing your odds of not spreading or receiving Covid-19. Also, if you are put off due to any work-related exposure, you will not lose any time; you will even be able to quarantine at hotel facility if you choose so.

Please also note: If you get called to go on a run with someone who has confirmed positive Covid-19, please wait until you arrive on scene, prior to patient contact, to put all your PPE on. This will ensure to maximize the integrity of your equipment.

Lastly, Please email Local 22 at [info@iaff22.org](mailto:info@iaff22.org) with questions to ask, and please have the subject line: "Questions for Covid-19"