

## **Tips for Businesses from the Chautauqua County Health Department**

Avoid person-to-person interaction when possible. Business that can be conducted online or over the phone should be handled that way.

When in-person interaction is necessary, take steps to limit the number of people in a waiting area or room at any one time, allowing those present to maintain at least 6 ft. distance from each other.

Be sure to clean all touch surfaces frequently – do an inventory of what gets touched in your business: doors, counters, pens, arms of chairs, handles, coffee carafes, etc. - and wipe those down well and often.

Provide prevention supplies at your organization for use by staff and visitors (e.g., soap, hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol, tissues, trash baskets that are accessible to visitors.)

If your business relies on walk-in traffic, it's obviously in your interest to 1) Do everything you can to keep yourself healthy and 2) promote what your business is doing to help prevent the spread of this illness.

Further tips regarding prevention/preventing spread:

- Wash hands with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds – when you have the opportunity, and especially after you have touched surfaces that have been touched by others.
- Avoid touching your face
- Regularly sanitize frequently-touched surfaces at home, in your vehicle, in your workspace
- Stay away from sick people
- If you become ill with fever, cough, and/or shortness of breath, call your healthcare provider first for guidance.

A good source for regular updates on the situation in Chautauqua County is the Health Department FB page: [www.facebook.com/myhealthycounty](https://www.facebook.com/myhealthycounty)