

2ND COVID-19 INFECTION CONFIRMED

Another Philadelphia NDC employee has tested positive for COVID-19. People are getting nervous and rightfully so. It looks like cleaning frequency is being ramped up and hopefully everyone is finally beginning to take this as seriously as they should be.

That said there are still many people who just don't get it. We need to move the mail, but we need to do it safely. Cleaning frequencies are being increased and better monitored, or at least we are being told that is the case. If you notice a common area that is not properly cleaned every day and more as necessary, report it to a steward so that we can address the issue.

Clean and disinfect any area where you are required to work, including powered equipment, keyboards, phones, handrails, chairs, etc. If you are going to work at a station, make sure it is clean for your own benefit and those around you.

I am not overly confident in the process of who is quarantined and/or sent home when they have been in contact with a person who tests positive. Nor am I happy with the notification process itself. Because of this I advise anyone who reasonably thinks they could have been infected by a coworker to self-quarantine until it is clear you are not infected. We can worry about whether it should be carried as Code 86 later. Wherever you are....<u>STAY 6 FEET APART!!!!!</u> Don't stand right on top of each other waiting to clock in or out. Don't sit right next to or across from each other to have lunch, watch tv, play chess or cards, etc.

Lastly, if you are infected, because information has not been readily shared, please notify your union and let your rep know who you have been around on a regular basis, in close proximity (less than 6 feet) in the days leading up to getting symptoms. It would be helpful if you would also give us permission to share the information with these people. THANK YOU!

Stay Safe and Sanitized, *Chuck Camp* President, APWU Local #7048