COVID-19 AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE CONTROL RESOURCES FOR CRE PROFESSIONALS

This list of resources concerning infectious disease control and the Coronavirus (COVID-19) was originally compiled by the Building Owners and Managers Association of Georgia Foundation and updated by BOMA Oakland/East Bay with California and Bay Area Resources. The situation with COVID-19 continues to evolve quickly. Real estate professionals should check the latest information from authoritative health-related resources regularly.

CDC Resources
The CDC has released interim guidance for businesses and employers to plan and respond to COVID-19. The CDC has also built a website with details on how to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in various communities and a website with more extensive information on the disease. Additionally, the CDC has released environment cleaning and disinfection recommendations. And the CDC has produced a guide to hand washing, which is helpful for staff and tenants. Individuals may also sign up to receive free CDC.gov email updates.

California Specific Resources
The California Department of Health has developed a guidance page for businesses and residents, it is being updated as new information is released by the State. The California Occupational Safety and Health Administration’s (Cal OSHA) website lists several resources property and facility managers can utilize to prepare their buildings against COVID-19 and other infectious disease. All press releases from Governor Newsome can be found on his page. Additionally, the disability and unemployment system in California is available to employees due to impacts from this virus.

County Specific Resources
BOMA Oakland/East Bay covers a wide territory in the Bay Area, be sure to check in with Alameda County and Contra Costa County for resources in your area.

Federal OSHA Resources for Facilities
The United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration’s (OSHA) website lists several resources property and facility managers can utilize to prepare their buildings against COVID-19 and other infectious disease. The resources compiled by OSHA include measures to prevent and control infectious disease, CDC guidance on the prevention of disease within facilities, as well as relevant OSHA standards.

World Health Organization Resources
The World Health Organization has built several resources related to COVID-19. These resources include detailed written information as well as video.

COVID-19 Preparedness Checklist for Property Professionals from BOMA International
BOMA International has compiled a check list for property professionals to prepare against and deal with COVID-19. The checklist is based on information from the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). BOMA International has also built a website cataloging additional resources for property professionals. The site will be updated regularly.

BOMA Canada Pandemic Guide
The Building Owners and Managers Association of Canada has released a Pandemic Guide, designed specifically for property owners, managers, and operators. The guide explores how property professionals can take steps to prepare for and respond to pandemics.

ASHRAE Guidance for HVAC Systems
ASHRAE has compiled a list of resources to help facility operators address COVID-19, specifically with concerns related to the operation and maintenance of HVAC systems.