Safety Starts

With **YOU**

Tool Box Talk Topics

Quickway
Transport & Utilities Infrastructure

Utility work during Coronavirus pandemic

Construction operations during the pandemic has been allowed to continue by the Australian Government as a part of essential services (as at 2 April 2020)

Your sites are broken into Public zones, Project zones and Work zones. The Project zone is the area protected by Traffic Control. The Work zone is within the project zone where the physical work is being undertaken.

What are your responsibilities outside of the Work zone -

- Report daily on any sickness (Covid-19, Cold or Flu symptoms as per the attached) of yourself or direct family and not come to the workplace.
- When in the Public zone or Project zone, you have to
  - apply the government social distancing rules such as no more than 2 people travelling or gathering.
  - Keeping 1.5 metres distance between people.
  - No gathering in groups to have smoko.
  - No sitting in groups.
  - Greetings to be non-contact (ie no hand shaking)

What are your responsibilities inside the Work zone-

- Keep distance of 1.5 metres during prestarts/toolboxes and lunches/smoko.
- Consider how to do a job that allows more separation between workers.
- Clean shared tools between use.
- Clean vehicle door handles, steering and gear shifts on shared vehicles before and after use.
- Ensure non- workers do not enter the Work zone.

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At all times

- Wash or sanitize hands throughout the day. Soap and water is more effective.
- Practice good hygiene for sneezing or coughing.
- Keep hands away from faces as this can transfer the virus.
- Clean any shared surfaces such as lunch area.

Worker and Public Interface

You are more likely to be observed doing your daily work now then previously and people will have a tendency to take photos for social media and report to the Police and /or SafeWork. The chances of people been aggressive is also higher and you need to be prepared.

To help with this areas, you need to :-

- Ensure the Construction Signage is clear and up to date with the correct contact number.
- Continue to practice good health and safety practices including reduction of noise if possible.
- If approached, ask them to please distance themselves and refer them to the Construction

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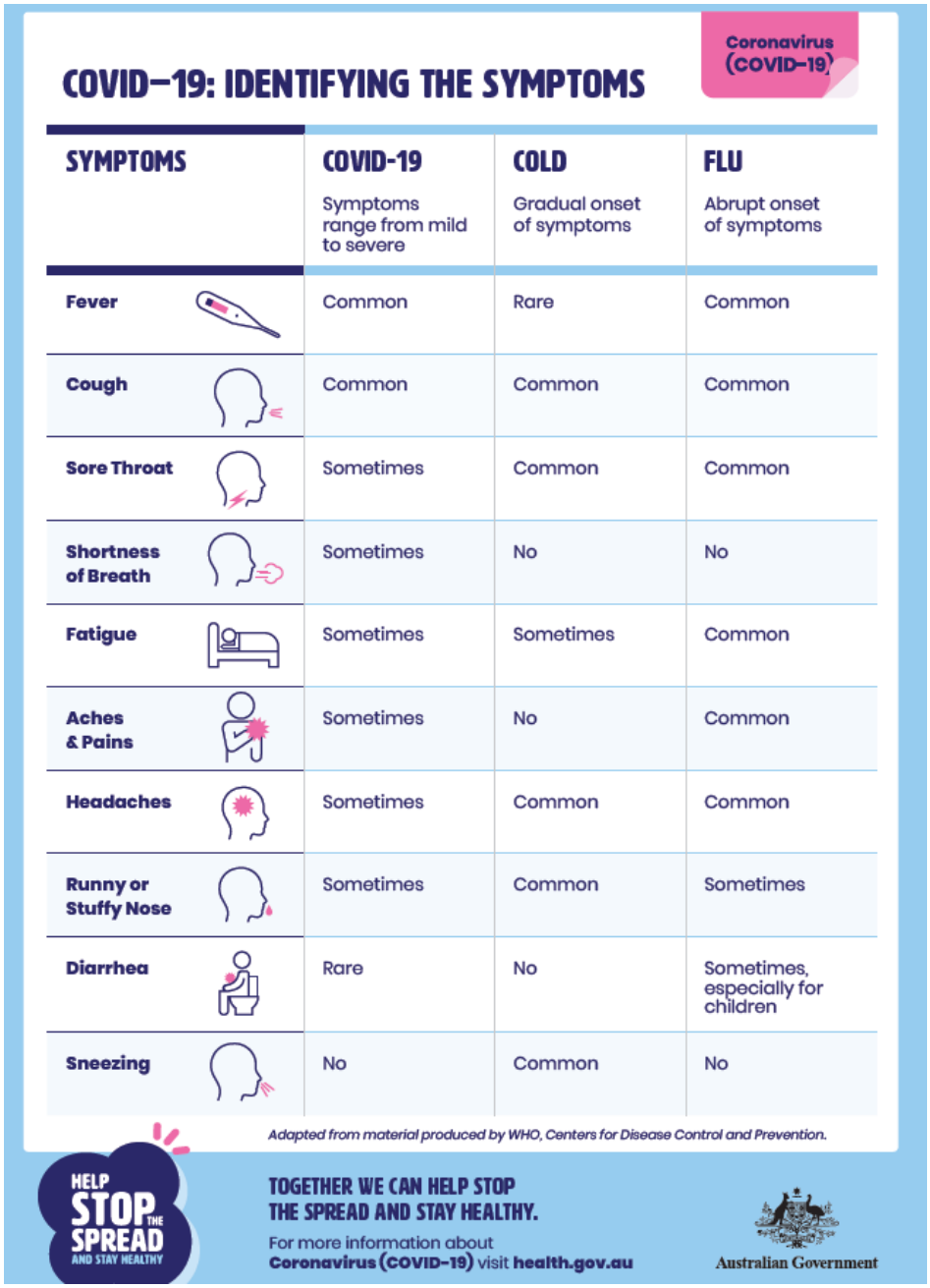
signage contact.

- **Any aggressive behavior**, try defuse the situation by standing down and refer them to the Supervisor or Project Engineer, If this fails remove your team if practical and report to the police. Report to your Quickway Project Engineer in all instances of aggressive behavior.



COVID–19: IDENTIFYING THE SYMPTOMS

Coronavirus (COVID–19)

SYMPTOMS	COVID-19 Symptoms range from mild to severe	COLD Gradual onset of symptoms	FLU Abrupt onset of symptoms
Fever	Common	Rare	Common
Cough	Common	Common	Common
Sore Throat	Sometimes	Common	Common
Shortness of Breath	Sometimes	No	No
Fatigue	Sometimes	Sometimes	Common
Aches & Pains	Sometimes	No	Common
Headaches	Sometimes	Common	Common
Runny or Stuffy Nose	Sometimes	Common	Sometimes
Diarrhea	Rare	No	Sometimes, especially for children
Sneezing	No	Common	No

Adapted from material produced by WHO, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

HELP STOP THE SPREAD AND STAY HEALTHY

TOGETHER WE CAN HELP STOP THE SPREAD AND STAY HEALTHY.

For more information about Coronavirus (COVID–19) visit health.gov.au

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Thankyou for your assistance in keeping the project and your co-workers safe

I have had the opportunity to read and ask questions about this toolbox. I will put the information from this toolbox into practice.

Date:-……

Worker Name	Signature	Worker Name	Signature