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OSHA Issues New Guidance Document for Reopening Non-Essential Businesses

On June 18, 2020, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) issued a guidance document for reopening non-essential businesses during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

The guidance document focuses on employers' need to develop and implement strategies for basic hygiene, social distancing, identification and isolation of sick employees, workplace controls and flexibilities, and employee training. It also contains detailed information on the following topics:

- Planning for Reopening
- Applicable OSHA Standards and Required Protections in the Workplace
- Employer Frequently Asked Questions

According to OSHA, this guidance supplements the U.S. Department of Labor and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' previously developed Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19 and the White House's Guidelines for Opening Up America Again.

Michael Best's Workplace Safety & Health team is currently reviewing the June 18, 2020 guidance document and will be issuing a detailed analysis in the coming days. In the meantime, please contact your Michael Best attorney with any questions.

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