

Dignity at Work Coalition: New videos inform workers of their rights and how to keep themselves safe during COVID-19 pandemic

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The Dignity at Work Coalition created videos in English and Spanish, designed to inform workers of their rights and the obligations of their employers to keep them safe during the pandemic. The coalition encourages local health departments, business groups, health providers, and others to share these videos widely.

Spearheaded by Worker Justice Wisconsin and Voces de la Frontera, the videos are part of a larger effort to promote safety for low-wage and undocumented workers, who often are forced by economic necessity to return to work even under unsafe conditions.

The coalition created two versions of the video. One is aimed at workers in Dane County and educates them about what they have a right to expect from their employer, as [outlined](#) by the Public Health Department of Madison and Dane County. Information is also provided on how an employee can file a complaint if he or she feels the workplace is unsafe.

Because similar health department orders are not uniformly available in other parts of the state, a second video addresses workers outside Dane County. It provides information on how employees and employers can keep themselves and their workplaces safe in the absence of official guidance from local governments.

Both videos are available in English and Spanish. Dr. Patricia Tellez-Giron – Associate Professor Dept of Family Medicine, UW School of Medicine and Public

Health explains the importance of handwashing and correctly wearing a mask. The videos also cover social distancing, cleaning of high-touch surfaces, urge workers to stay home if they are feeling sick, and numbers to call for coalition members if they need individual advocacy or assistance.

Watch the videos here:

- Dane County Public Health (English): <https://youtu.be/COsCcAdgdXs>
- Dane County Public Health (Spanish): <https://youtu.be/NaMNqmWssoQ>
- State of Wisconsin (English): <https://youtu.be/SiGqBQrFnI8>
- State of Wisconsin (Spanish): <https://youtu.be/XFB5ZQv4QIY>

The Dignity at Work Coalition is made up of groups and individuals who advocate or organize for social and economic justice for all. The coalition seeks to establish higher standards of respect and equality for all who labor, greater compassion for working families, and to foster community solidarity in the service of our mission. To learn more about the coalition visit <http://www.dignityatworkcoalition.org/>.