

**Chat Log: COVID- 19 Update from GCCA  
June 25, 2020**

**Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience):** 10:14 AM: OSHA has issued guidance for returning to work. This guidance is not a standard or regulation, and it creates no new legal obligations. The recommendations are advisory in nature, informational in content, and are intended to assist employers in providing a safe and healthful workplace. Find it at <https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA4045.pdf>

**Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience):** 10:15 AM: The state of Virginia has issued a proposed regulation that will affect all Virginia employers with respect to COVID-19 workplace health and safety requirements. Read the details at <https://www.jdsupra.com/legalnews/virginia-labor-department-issues-37922/>.

**Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience):** 10:21 AM: CDC has developed a tiered testing strategy for high-density critical infrastructure industries. Find it at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/worker-safety-support/hd-testing.html>

**Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience):** 10:22 AM: The Department of Treasury and the Small Business Administration has made PPP Loan Forgiveness applications available at <https://www.sba.gov/about-sba/sba-newsroom/press-releases-media-advisories/sba-and-treasury-announce-new-ez-and-revised-full-forgiveness-applications-paycheck-protection>

**Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience):** 10:23 AM: The IRS has issued guidance for employers who offer leave-based donation programs. Learn more at <https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-provides-guidance-on-employer-leave-based-donation-programs-that-aid-victims-of-the-covid-19-pandemic>

**Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience):** 10:24 AM: GCCA has joined a list of trade associations who are requesting that the U.S. Congress improve the Employee Retention Tax Credit (ERTC) in response to COVID-19. Read the letter we co-signed at <https://www.franchise.org/sites/default/files/2020-06/Coalition%20support%20-%20Enhanced%20ERTC%20-final.pdf>

**Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience):** 10:29 AM: USDA and FDA have issued a joint statement on food export restrictions pertaining to COVID-19. Read it at <https://www.usda.gov/media/press-releases/2020/06/24/joint-statement-usda-and-fda-food-export-restrictions-pertaining>

**Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience):** 10:31 AM: President Trump has issued a proclamation extending the suspension of immigration as a result of the pandemic. The proclamation can be found at <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/proclamation-suspending-entry-aliens-present-risk-u-s-labor-market-following-coronavirus-outbreak/> though it does not apply to workers in the food and agriculture sector.

**Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience):** 10:33 AM: The U.S. Meat Export Federation USMEF will host a series of training webinars for exporters covering a range of topics aimed at giving companies and their staff members a better understanding of the export process. Register for “Export 101” at [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_eaap-F17RxSaoQVqwXMy4w](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eaap-F17RxSaoQVqwXMy4w)

**Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience):** 10:34 AM: GCCA has aggregated several guidance documents on reopening business and sourcing PPE in a new document called our “COVID-19 Recovery Guide.” Find Version 2 online at <https://www.gcca.org/resources/responding-coronavirus>

**Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience):** 10:42 AM: Ask questions of your industry colleagues and share helpful information at <http://community.gcca.org/home>

**Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience):** 10:42 AM: GCCA has conducted a study on the impact of COVID-19 on the cold chain. Find key highlights from our COVID impact study at <https://www.gcca.org/about/press/key-findings-gcca%E2%80%99s-2020-covid-19-cold-chain-business-impact-survey-show-changes-ahead>.

**Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience):** 10:44 AM: Register for our Virtual Policy forum at [www.gcca.org/events](http://www.gcca.org/events)