## Key Strategies to Navigate through COVID-19

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### State of Emergency

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## WFH-Ergonomics



• WFH -with nothing but a laptop and a phone

#### INJURY IS INEVITABLE

- Proper workstation set up is key
- Introduce movement into your day



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## WFH-Ergonomics



 CSA-Z412 Office Ergonomics applies to

Working From Home

- WSIB rights and responsibilities apply to WFH
- Occupational Health and Safety Act still requires employers to take precautions with WFH



Re-Entering the Workplace – A Strategic Framework for Immediate, Short and Long Term Planning

- Health and Safety Priority Higher sanitization measures, security
- Communication messages, signage and wayfinding protocols
- Assess human and financial resources
- Critical facility repairs and replacements



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## On the Verge of Re-entry

- Establish temporary workplace arrangements in prep for gradual back to work mandate
- State of Real Property Assets lease, buy, rent
- Changes to workspace design and collaboration areas
- Lessons learned and continuous improvement



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## Organizational Culture & Business Transformation

- Now is the time for
  - leaders to lead
    - Step into your role as a sponsor
    - Aligned to corporate values
    - Support inclusion
    - Communicate regularly



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Organizational Culture & Business Transformation

- 1. Redefine goals
- 2. Create a compelling vision (North Star)
- 3. Co-create activation plans with every dept.
- 4. Course Correct
- 5. Enable & Lead Transition





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# **Contingency Planning**

 Live test of Pandemic Response highlights a serious need for formalized Lockdown Emergency Response Plans & Contingency Planning





 Workplace re-opening requires staged loosening of traditional Lockdown protocols, with *enhanced hygiene, security, life safety* & *fallback* measures (influenced by adjustments to product - service strategies)

## **Future Emergency Plans**



- Longer term sustainability and resilience-building will occur, based on *simple scenarios & exercised plans*, to better safeguard continuity, leveraging:
  - improved incident management
  - workplace virtualization
  - emergency communications
  - supply chain redundancy, etc.



# Survive Revive Thrive

Thank You and Keep Well.



### A Path Emerging from COVID-19 – words of wisdom

	<b>Survive</b> (Stabilize & get through this immediate crisis)	Revive ("Re-open", restart & begin emerging from "lockdown" mode)	
Facilities Mgmt.	action	methodical alignment	
Ergonomics	movement	proper equipment training	
Emergency Plans	weak links	perimeter security hardening	
Cultural Change	sponsor	activate evolve	