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Facilitating Pandemic Preparedness in the Agricultural Industry using the <u>COVID-19</u> <u>Hazard Assessment and Mitigation Plan</u> (CHAMP) e-tool

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Background – Agricultural Industry

- Well-versed in the identification and mitigation of risk factors specific to biosecurity (secure food supply)
- Early 2000's, activity focused on pandemic influenza focused on rapid identification of disease within flocks, depopulation and disposal – less emphasis on minimizing the potential for zoonotic disease transfer to workers
- Previously developed pandemic preparedness plans were not readily adaptable/implementable for COVID-19

Objective(s)



Minimize impact on businesses, workers and the public through the development and implementation of a pandemic risk mitigation strategy for COVID-19 following federal, state and local guidelines.

- State-level requirement for businesses to submit and register pandemic preparedness plans that employ a risk assessment approach (OSHA's Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19)
 - Established strategy for risk ID
 - Mitigation using hierarchy of controls
- Utilizing a cross-disciplinary agriculture-centric approach with a team of industry experts highly skilled in extension, outreach, workplace exposure assessment and mitigation strategies and occupational medicine –
 - Develop a user-friendly risk-based tool for agricultural sectors and commodity groups
 - PC application guiding users through a task/job focused risk assessment process
 - Decision-making matrix for the ID of control measures in-line with operational requirements aimed at mitigating spread within the workforce and to the public (public facing operations)
 - Development of a COVID-19 pandemic preparedness plan satisfying state and local requirements
 - (future direction) Develop a downloadable flexible-format point and click PC/web risk assessment and mitigation tool with mobile interface
 - May be used for risk ID and mitigation of endemic zoonoses and future pandemics

Objectives (Cont'd) – Provide Industry <u>AID</u>

The COVID-19 Hazard Assessment and Mitigation Program (<u>CHAMP</u>) is a free tool that farmers and associated businesses in the agricultural industry can use to:

- **Assess** the risk for transmission of COVID-19 within their operation.
- **Identify** effective task-specific mitigation options.
- **Develop** a written pandemic preparedness plan that satisfies state and local regulatory requirements (currently geared toward the State of Michigan).

Objective(s) – Bottom Line

- Easy to use (familiar) PC based application MS Excel
- Capitalize on outstanding tools/guidance already available in conjunction with state and local requirements (e.g. Executive Orders) – provide the 'How To'
- Plan Components -
 - Appointing a responsible individual to develop, implement, monitor, and routinely evaluate the effectiveness of the operation's pandemic preparedness plan.
 - Health Screening
 - Workplace Preparation Increased Standards for Cleaning and Disinfection
 - Group Housing
 - COVID-19 Testing Requirements and Communication of Results
 - Job Analysis (Hazard ID) and Risk Mitigation Plan(s)
 - Employee Communication and Training
 - Resources

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OVUD-19 is a respiratory disease caused by the SARS-COV-2 virus that reached pandemic status in early 2020. The highly contagious and can be transmitted through air in droplet and aerosol form and by contact with contaminates order to minimize impact on businesses, workers and the public, it is incumbent upon employers to develop a risk mi strategy.	MIOSHA Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administr Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LB	ation (MIOSHA) INSTRUCTION
 Issued May 1, 2020 Executive Order 2020-70 contained the <i>initial</i> requirement for implementation of additional hea safety practices aimed at mitigating spread of disease between and amongst workers, and between workers at busines for in-person work' and the general public. These requirements included provisions for: 	DOCUMENT IDENTIFIER: MIOSHA-COM-20-1	DATE: April 15, 2020
 b Symptom screening and prevention of workers from entering the premises if sick or if in contact with an individua confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19 	SUBJECT: Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-1	
12 + Social distancing 13 + Use of personal protective equipment (PPE) if and when necessary to prevent disease transmission 14 + Increasing standards of facility cleaning and disinfection 15 + A written COVID-19 preparedness and response plan consistent with OSHA guidance made availal workplace.	I. Purpose. This instruction establishes policies a alleging hazards related to coronavirus (SARS 2019 (COVID-19).	
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Next Steps

- Update e-tool as new requirements/resources are developed
- Continue with systematic deployment as well as on an as-needed/on-demand basis
- Support farmers in their efforts to conduct exposure/risk assessments (one-on-one, virtual) and develop mitigation strategies that align with already developed biosecurity/secure food supply programs
- Develop commodity-specific content/tools
- Develop web-based/mobile application

THANK YOU!!