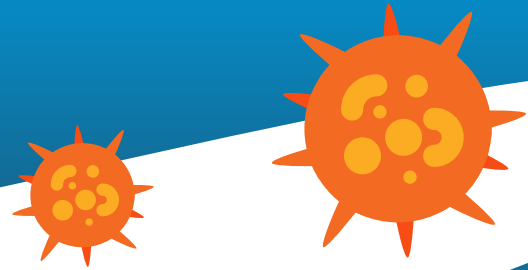




National Waste & Recycling Association

Collect. Recycle. Innovate.



Based on current knowledge, we are not dealing with a true airborne hazard. Droplets fall quickly to the ground or other surfaces where they remain. Touching those surfaces and then touching one's face is the true risk and should be avoided. What are those surfaces? They could be anything. Therefore, our workers should assume that all surfaces could be contaminated by COVID-19. This includes the waste, cart handles, truck body, door handles etc. Our workers are wearing gloves and washing and sanitizing their hands often to minimize the risk. At this time, we are not aware of any significant public health hazard from waste operations.

Message to the public: **PROTECT YOUR TRASH/RECYCLING WORKERS FROM COVID-19**



Maintain social distance



Carefully bag all waste



Keep recyclables loose



Put all bags and recyclables into carts



Keep lids on cart to avoid littering



Place only program recyclables in your recycling carts or bins



If needed, rinse containers. Make sure all containers are empty and dry



No plastic bags or tissues in recycling



Put carts out on time and retrieve carts quickly



Wipe down your carts, especially the handles and lids, once you placed them at the curb



No medical sharps or syringes in recycling



Place any medical sharps or syringes in a rigid plastic container, clearly label it "Sharps," seal it tightly



Put the container in the trash

