## **RESTAURANTS AND BARS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**



The purpose of this tool is to assist businesses in the food service industry, such as restaurants and bars, in making (re)opening decisions during the COVID-19 pandemic. It is important to check with state and local health officials and other partners to determine the most appropriate actions while adjusting to meet the unique needs and circumstances of the local community.

**ALL** 

**YES** 

## Should you consider opening?

- ✓ Will reopening be consistent with applicable state and local orders?
- ✓ Are you ready to protect employees at <u>higher risk</u> for severe illness?

ALL

YES



## Are recommended health and safety actions in place?

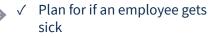
- ✓ Promote <u>healthy hygiene</u> <u>practices</u> such as <u>hand washing</u> and <u>employees wearing a cloth</u> <u>face covering</u>, as feasible
- ✓ Intensify <u>cleaning</u>, <u>sanitization</u>, <u>disinfection</u>, and ventilation
- Encourage social distancing and enhance spacing at establishments including by encouraging drive-through, delivery, curb-side pick up, spacing of tables/stools, limiting party sizes and occupancy, avoiding self-serve stations, restricting employee shared spaces, rotating or staggering shifts, if feasible
- ✓ Train all employees on health and safety protocols



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## Is ongoing monitoring in place?

- ✓ Develop and implement procedures to check for <u>signs</u> and <u>symptoms</u> of employees daily upon arrival, as feasible
- √ Encourage anyone who is sick to <u>stay home</u>





- √ Monitor employee absences and have flexible leave policies and practices
- ✓ Be ready to consult with the local health authorities if there are cases in the facility or an increase in cases in the local area



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