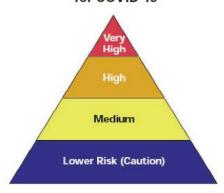
# Classifying Worker Exposure to COVID-19

Occupational Risk Pyramid for COVID-19



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## **Very High Exposure Risk**

Very high exposure risk jobs are those with high potential for exposure to known or suspected sources of COVID-19 during specific medical, postmortem, or laboratory procedures:

- Healthcare workers working with known or suspected COVID-19 patients.
- Laboratory personnel collecting or handling specimens from known or suspected COVID-19 patients.
- Morgue workers performing autopsies of people who are known to have, or suspected of having, COVID-19 at the time of their death.

## **High Exposure Risk**

High exposure risk jobs are those with high potential for exposure to known or suspected sources of COVID-19:

- Healthcare delivery and support staff
- Medical transport workers
- Mortuary workers

#### **Medium Exposure Risk**

Medium exposure risk jobs include those that require frequent and/or close contact with (i.e., within 6 feet of) people who may be infected with SARS-CoV-2, but who are not known or suspected COVID-19 patients. In areas where there is ongoing community transmission, workers in this category may have contact be with the general public (e.g., in schools, high-population-density work environments, and some high-volume retail settings).

### **Low Exposure Risk**

Lower exposure risk (caution) jobs are those that do not require contact with people known to be, or suspected of being, infected with SARS-CoV-2 nor frequent close contact with (i.e., within 6 feet of) the general public.