



Managing a Remote Workforce

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REMOTE WORKFORCE

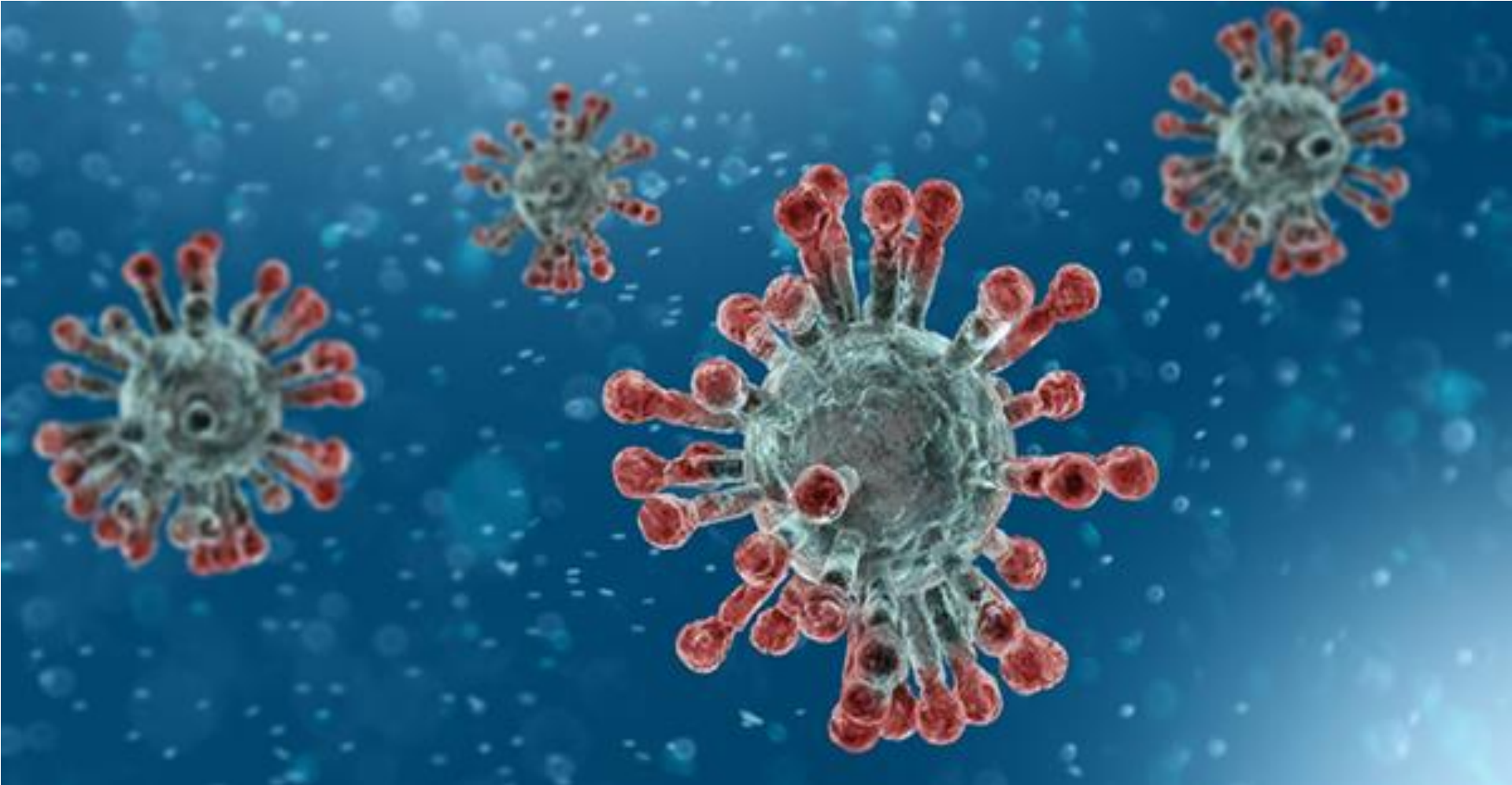
BEST PRACTICES FOR ENGAGING REMOTE WORKERS AND RE-EMERGING WORKERS INTO THE WORKFORCE

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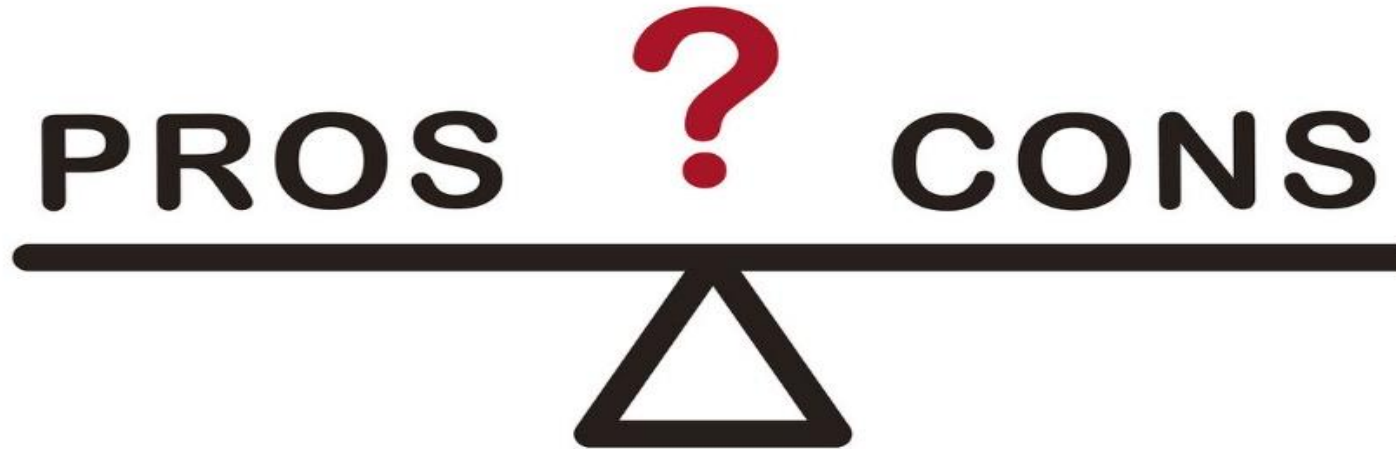
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INTRODUCTION



AGENDA

- Managing Remote Workers
 - Pros/Cons
 - Legal Issues
 - Policies/Procedures
 - Keeping Employees Engaged
- Re-emerging Workers into the Workplace
 - When to re-open
 - Risk Assessment
 - Safety



LEGAL ISSUES



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POLICIES/PROCEDURES



KEEP EMPLOYEES ENGAGED



WELCOME EMPLOYEES BACK TO WORK



RETURN TO WORK PLANS



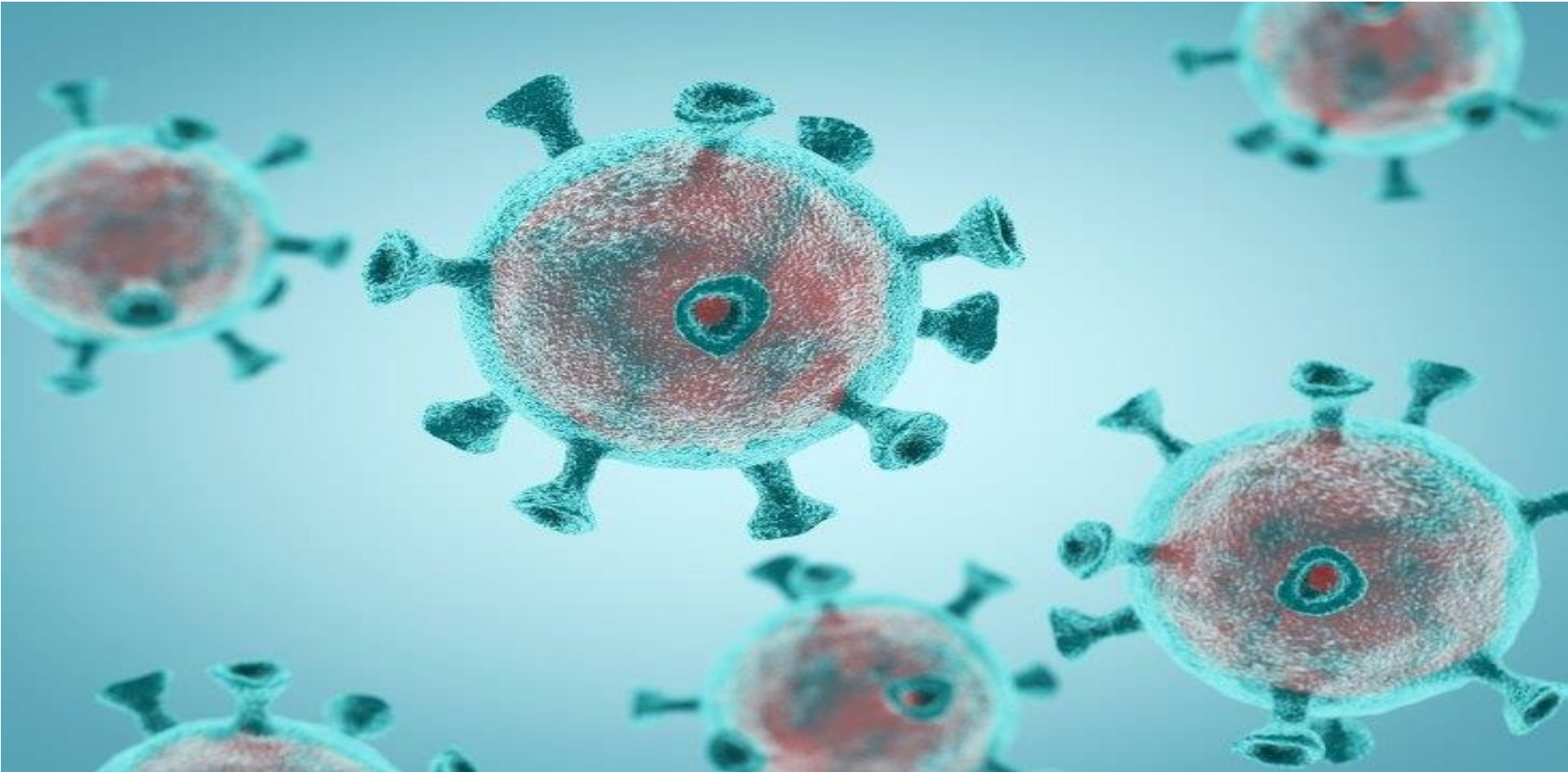
CONSIDERATIONS



CONSIDERATIONS (Cont.)



REFUSING TO RETURN





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THE POWER OF BEING UNDERSTOOD

CYBERSECURITY UPDATE – MAY 2020

Changes, threats, and risks with COVID-19



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Agenda

- What is different?
- Different Risks
- New Threats
- Examples of Attacks
- What Should We Do?

What is different?

- Highly remote work means more use of teleconferencing/videoconferencing
 - Potentially including new technologies (Facebook Messenger rooms, Google Meet, Zoom, WhatsApp)
- Greater use of remote access technologies
 - VPN
 - RDP
- Use of home networks or other devices for network access
- Changes to business processes
 - How have paper based processes changed?

Different Risks

- Increased bandwidth use
- Videoconference disruptions (Zoombombing)
- New social engineering vectors
- Hardware availability/remote support
- Less defined network boundary
- Distancing and physical access controls
- Compliance obligations still in place (PCI, DoD DFARS, privacy, etc.)

New Threats

- Attackers using the situation to their advantage:
 - Phishing emails for fake virus tracking sites, safety guidelines, Netflix payment expiration, etc.
 - Attacking processes that are in flux
 - Attacking processes that are now manual instead of automated
 - Targeting VPN endpoints
 - Attacking videoconferencing platforms

COVID-19 Cyber Attacks

Phishing

- No new technical attacks, just twists off of old favorites
- Pretending to be emergency announcements
 - CDC, WHO, Federal ()
- Pretending to be companies
 - HR announcements: ()
 - C-Level: Emergency ()
- Pretending to be law enforcement
 - Curfews, lock-downs, ()
 - Notification of death of ()



- Attackers realize that many corporate communications and processes are under rapid alteration to accommodate remote work and lack of communications
- Attacking processes that are already being altered
 - E.g. “So and so is out of pocket because their connectivity is down, please approve this invoice in their stead.”
- Attacking processes that have been forced into manual mode because platforms, people, or processes are now unavailable
 - E.g. Banks overloaded with phone calls, slow to respond to requests, so attackers pressure employees to bypass controls to directly move payments

- Many organizations were not structured for mass remote work
- Attackers realize this, and are rapidly escalating attacks looking for new/misconfigured/overloaded/etc. remote access solutions
- Similar wave of attacks for web based email, document sharing, and cloud instances
- Be very aware of your remote security infrastructure
- Attackers know that many employees are now working outside of the corporate security bubble, which leaves local AV as the last line of defense
- This is leading to a resurgence of “oldies but goodies” attacks

What should we do? (Videoconferencing and conference calls)

- Always set a meeting password
- Don't share links to meetings on public sites
- Use a pre-conference waiting room
- Consider the meeting material
- Use a roll call to identify attendees when joining
- Don't record meetings unless necessary
- Watch out for side conversations



<https://www.nist.gov/image/conference-call-security-graphic>

What should we do? (High Level)

- Now:

- Review and update your risk assessment
- Do not ignore normal security practices
- Review the internal network, ensure layers of controls
- Continue to educate users on new phishing threats and key controls

- Future:

- Consider expanded remote workforce continuation
- Create a low touch environment
 - minimizing contact for physical access
- Update BCP/DR plans to include fully remote workforce

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