

Costco - Employee Tests Positive for COVID-19 - Melbourne, Victoria (Australia)

- A Costco worker in the north-west of Melbourne has tested positive for COVID-19 as Victoria battles a second wave of the pandemic
- The retailer has confirmed that the staff member had last attended work on July 11, 2020 at the store's Epping warehouse
- The building is currently undergoing deep cleaning and sanitization with the store's management saying they are tracking down other staff in contact with the employee
- The company wrote in a letter to workers that it would directly reach out to those people who were in close contact with the infected staff member
- Melbourne reported a record rise of more than 400 new COVID-19 cases on July 17, 2020 despite a week-old lockdown of more than 5 million residents
- Victorian authorities said there were 423 new infections in the metropolitan area and five more in rural parts of the state

Source(s)

<https://www.lcsun-news.com/story/news/2020/07/11/4-las-cruces-walmart-workers-test-positive-coronavirus-new-mexico/5422004002/>

<https://newscolony.com/costco-worker-tests-positive-to-coronavirus-as-melbournes-second-wave-surges/>

Targets Affected:

Costco

Guidance

Actions to consider:

Consider implementing suggested actions related to 'Increase in Positive Cases/Deaths' under the 'COVID-19: Actions to Consider' section below / next page

Impact level Definitions

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Immediate	Certain - Supply Wisdom recommends considering prompt action. Examples of Immediate level alert events may include bankruptcy filings, data breaches, unexpected curfews, strikes, power black-outs, major geo-political events etc.
High	Highly likely to occur in the near term (within 3 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends being in a state of readiness to take quick action. Examples of High level alert events may include withdrawal of rating by ratings agencies, hostile takeover, multiple cyber-attacks, new business policies causing significant hardship etc.
Medium	Likely to occur in the mid-term (within 3 to 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends reviewing current mitigation steps and being ready to take proactive actions if and when situation deteriorates further. Examples of Medium level alert events may include unplanned C-level exits, suppliers caught in bribery cases, economy slipping into recession.
Low	Possible in the long-term (after 6 months) - Supply Wisdom recommends taking proactive action if situation does not resolve. Examples of Low level alert events may include lawsuits filed against suppliers, client losses, air pollution alerts issued by country's local authorities, unexpected holidays announced for the location etc.
Informational	The event is pertinent information but does not have a risk element associated with it. Examples of Info level alert events may include launch of new solutions, partnerships signed, industry outlook, positive changes in government policies, announcements regarding launch of software parks/ free trade zones/special economic zones etc.