

Many of you are asking what to do about your employees if you are closed or have reduced hours. Employment arrangements vary greatly from office to office, so there is no simple answer, but we'll provide information that we hope can help you make decisions. For now, here is the link to the Department of Labor's site on COVID-19 Reemployment Assistance: [https://dlr.sd.gov/ra/covid\\_19\\_ra\\_eligibility.aspx](https://dlr.sd.gov/ra/covid_19_ra_eligibility.aspx).

For a summary of the Federal legislation passed by Congress yesterday please go to: <https://www.ada.org/en/publications/ada-news/2020-archive/march/ada-alerts-dentists-as-coronavirus-legislation-reaches-senate>

The ADA has provided guidance in determining what is considered "emergency" versus "non emergency": [https://success.ada.org/~media/CPS/Files/Open%20Files/ADA\\_COVID19\\_Dental\\_Emergency\\_DDS.pdf](https://success.ada.org/~media/CPS/Files/Open%20Files/ADA_COVID19_Dental_Emergency_DDS.pdf) . This guidance may change as the COVID-19 pandemic progresses, and dentists should use their professional judgment in determining a patient's need for urgent or emergency care.

The State testing data has not changed for the last two days due to a lack of supplies to run the tests. Supplies have now arrived, so there will likely be results shared soon. Currently there are 385 tests pending.

We're still expecting further (dental-specific) guidance from the CDC on Friday and will send that out once its available.

The ADA's site continues to support the most current information available for dentists: [www.ada.org/virus](http://www.ada.org/virus)