

Working Remotely and Safely

FOCUS TEAM: COVID-19

With Governor Evers' Safer at Home Order #12 starting today at 8:00 AM and continuing until 8:00 AM on Friday, April 24, 2020, unless rescinded or modified, more Wisconsin residents than ever will be "working from home" or "working remotely." Remote working arrangements should be effective to slow the community spread of COVID-19, as face-to-face interactions are being transitioned to online exchanges. However, working remotely can present a host of cyber security issues.

BEST PRACTICES

- Avoid using public WiFi networks.
- Avoid using personal or shared devices.
- Avoid using personal e-mail accounts.
- Avoid unnecessary clicks.
- If possible, employers should offer employees a Virtual Private Network (VPN) to gain access to their company's system.
- Require strong passwords and implement dual authentication.
- If possible, issue devices (e.g., laptops or tablets) that are encrypted and can be remotely wiped.
- Practice physical (e.g., don't let your device get stolen) and technical (confirm you have anti-virus protection on your personal computer) security measures.

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