## COVID-19 Update for UK Employees | 11/08/2020

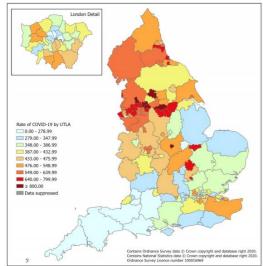
## **COVID-19 Regional Surveillance Infographic and Report for England**

As more local lockdowns come into force, we encourage all employees to read the weekly reports published by Public Health England which detail Coronavirus infection rates across the country. These reports are updated every Friday and you can access them <u>here</u>.

As well as a providing a national picture of the virus, of particular value is the table which identifies which Local Authority areas are on a watchlist, defining certain locations as areas of concern, areas for enhanced support, and areas of intervention. It includes data on the number of individuals tested, incidence per 100,000 population and the infection and testing trends in the area.

This information is particularly valuable as people begin to travel more around the country. Please be aware of the areas that are on the watchlist and ensure you take adequate measures to keep yourself and your family safe.

[Note, these reports only record cases in England. The Rapid Response Team is looking for a similar report for Wales and Scotland, and will share appropriate resources when available.]



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Update

We urge all employees to continue to be vigilant as the risk has not been removed despite lockdown measures easing. Remember to follow the four behaviours at all times and appreciate your personal responsibility to prevent the spread of the virus:





Hygiene





& Others

## **Travel Corridors**

Please continue to be aware of the different countries and territories where people returning to the UK are still required to self-isolate. **If a 14-day quarantine is required on returning from overseas, this must be adhered to. It is not enough to take a Coronavirus test and receive a negative result.** If the country an employee or contractor is returning from is not in the exemption list then they must not return to work until they have quarantined for the full 14 days, with no exceptions.

It is particularly important that managers are aware of this when working with contractors, including hauliers, and ensure they ask the right questions to understand contractors' movements when planning how and when we use them. The list of countries where a quarantine on return is required continues to change on a regular basis so it is important we are all abreast of updates to travel.

The full list of countries with travel corridors for residents in England and Wales can be found <u>here</u>. While it includes many European countries and other further afield, some places such as Romania, Portugal and the US are not featured and so anyone returning from these areas will need to self-isolate for 14 days. For those in Scotland, the list can be found <u>here</u>.

Please also note that the restrictions are different in England and Wales compared to Scotland. If you have any questions, please speak to a member of the Health & Safety team.