

MNC Network Webinar Series



Response and Resilience: Finding Solutions to Today's Unique Challenges

While we may not be able to meet in person right now, our network members can still gather together virtually. The MNC Network is proud to present a new educational webinar series aimed at helping manufacturers find solutions to the challenges presented by today's unique challenges and/or COVID-19. This series is brought to you by the North Carolina Manufacturers Extension Partnership (NCMEP). Each webinar will feature a specific topic, facilitated by a subject matter expert, to answer your questions and help you navigate through this trying time.

There is no charge to attend these events but registration is required. Upon registration, a link to join the webinar will be sent. Please bring your lunch and join us for one or all of our webinars.

Schedule of Webinars

Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act [CARES]

July 9, 1pm EST

NCMEP has received federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) funding to expand services and help manufacturers respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. Join NCMEP Director Phil Mintz for a webinar to learn more about the CARES funding. Questions that will be addressed:

- › What is the CARES funding program?
- › How can the CARES program help my manufacturing company adapt to the challenges presented by the coronavirus? What solutions will it offer?
- › How do you apply for funding?
- › Is there a cost to my company?

Webinar Dates:

- › **Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act [CARES]**
July 9, 1pm EST
- › **OSHA Guidance During Covid-19**
July 23, 1pm EST
- › **Finding New Innovations (PART 1)**
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- › **Thinking on Your Feet: How to Pivot for the Public Good**
Aug 4, 10am EST
- › **Finding New Innovations (PART 2)**
Aug 11, 11am EST
- › **Navigating Uncharted Waters—How to Adapt Your Culture to Support Your New Covid-19 Safety Practices**
August 26, 11am EST

OSHA Guidance During Covid-19

July 23, 1pm EST

Across our state, many businesses are facing challenges that won't go away even if the threat of COVID-19 does. Pandemic illness presents an on-going threat to your company and understanding how to maintain normal business operations while ensuring worker protection from the spread of illness is critical. Join us as we take a look at some of OSHA's guidance and expectations related to infectious disease and workplace safety.

Finding New Innovations (PART 1)

July 28, 11am EST

We will discuss why Innovation is so important and will continue to be an approach used by successful companies moving forward. We will also discuss where you may want to innovate.

Take-aways: Two (2) key innovation concepts. Three (3) factors that influence ideas and innovation.

Thinking on Your Feet: How to Pivot for the Public Good

Aug 4, 10am EST

This webinar will cover thoughts and reflections on successful and failed attempts to address a modern day global pandemic. Taking a look at a few examples around the world and at home using traditional manufacturing and additive manufacturing to help address issues as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. Presented by NCMEP Partner, Hangar6.

Learn more or register at ncmep.org/mnc-network

Finding New Innovations (PART 2)

Aug 11, 11am EST

We will build on Session 1 and begin to learn how to innovate. We will discuss who can participate in innovation. We will also look at a couple tools & methods to boost innovation—tools & methods that are low-cost and easy-to-implement.

Take-aways: One tool and one method to deploy to build innovation at your company.

Navigating Uncharted Waters—How to Adapt Your Culture to Support Your New Covid-19 Safety Practices

August 26, 11am EST

As businesses begin to reopen, great attention is being given to the measures required to keep employees and customers safe. Adjusting your work environment to help ensure the safety for your employees and customers has led to a new challenge: getting your employees to adopt these new practices, and do these things, every time, for however long it takes.

Join us for this webinar to learn:

- › 5 practices to keep your employees and customers safe during the Covid-19
- › How to use six sources of influence to build accountability for practicing new behaviors
- › How to create a workplace where employees and customers not only are safe but feel safe



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