SEIU 32BJ/COSH

AIRPORT Worker Training related to Covid -19 Outbreak



 SEIU 32BJ and COSH teamed up to provide training for Airport workers are in Major Airports from Boston to Miami. SEIU 32BJ have contracts and/or organizing campaigns in 10 major airports on east coast.



MassCOSH [Boston Logan Airport] & NYCOSH [JFK & LaGuardia] did on site

- Trainings are being done for workers performing the following Job Classes:
 - Wheelchair Agents, Cabin Cleaning, Security Guards, Terminal Cleaning, Line Que(PreTSA), Lavatory and Water Drivers, Skycaps, Security Escorts, Shuttle Drivers, ETC





Airport Workers are at High Risk During Covid-19

- Need to follow the CDC Guidelines as they are announced
- Ensuring that SEIU Leaders (worker Leaders) and Field Representatives who are on the Frontlines and expected to report for duty during this pandemic
- SEIU is engaging the employers regarding Supplies, Enhanced Cleaning Practices, reports of passengers Airport employees, and General Public testing positive while in the Airport.
- Workers who cannot practice Social Distancing while performing their duties are very concerned the CDC has not required an N-95 Respirator Mask Program in Airports.
- Wheel Chair agents, Sky Caps, and Baggage Handlers are in close proximity to the passengers for an extended period of time while performing their service.



Issues at Airports During Covid-19

- We have been facilitating a training of Best Practices as recommended by the CDC when working in an Increased Risk Environment.
- There is No Direct access to Airport workers by OSHA,
 CDC or DOH.
- The Airports Remain Open and Workers reporting to duty.
- There are Daily reports of persons in the Airports having tested positive.
- There are no protocols set to shut down a particular workplace, station, or airplane for 24 hours and deep cleaning.



Some Best Practices - What Workers are Doing

- Wheelchair Agents are wiping doing the chairs before and after each service, washing there hands before, after and during the service
- Sky Caps are wiping down stations computers and using gloves during service
- Baggage handlers are using gloves during the service and practicing social distancing
- **Terminal Cleaners** are running out of supplies including gloves but are cleaning the normal sections three times
- Cabin Cleaners are being asked to intensify the cleaning all planes are deep cleans