

NMC Check-In Call Summary

On March 31, we meet with several members via Zoom to discuss how COVID has affected workplaces and how our members, community partners, and guests are responding to the changes. Here are a few takeaways from our conversation:

How Our Member Companies are Getting Through This

- Proactive communication with empathy to ensure people know they are understanding of the various emotions and realities currently present.
- Weekly Q&A meetings because more than ever people want to feel informed.
- Keeping as many employees working from home as possible and practical.
- Evaluating technology use and how to leverage this time for training, thinking of new avenues of communication, and new ways to solve problems.
- Reassessing current methodologies and processes as well as partnerships to ensure they are leveraging best possible resources and tools.
- Many companies are on a skeleton crew and want to ensure the safety and wellbeing of employees and families.

What Our Members are Working On Related to COVID-19

- Peter Legnos, President of LBI, is seeking volunteers to sew masks they are cutting with a CNC machine.
- CCAT working with UTC P&W to make shields with additive technology, as well as with Skyre to investigate use of their O2 generator for respirators.
- Hitachi is working with GM to manufacture ventilator components.
- Munger Construction is finishing a renovation for a veterinarian that may be used as a medical triage for a nearby hospital, if necessary, before they reopen for their four-legged clients.

Other Comments and Observations

- The aerospace industry is experiencing a slowdown with a drop in travel. There is an opportunity to transition the aerospace supply chain workforce to the submarine industrial base.
- Electric Boat is still working. They have reached out to Hitachi with a warehousing request.
- It was acknowledged that trying to get new customers at this time can be uncomfortable, but also that companies need to procure products and services from others in order to operate and succeed, and these business interactions are a key element to our rebounding economy.

CHECK-IN CALL

April 16, 2020
10 - 11 am



The first call was very helpful and we had really good feedback so we have agreed to host them every two weeks until future notice. You can register for our April 16th call [here](#), we will send the password to individuals who register from our mailing list. If you share with a colleague or register from an email we don't send the newsletter to, please email Shell at Admin@NMConsortium.com to notify us of the addition.