CAN AN EMPLOYEE TAKE AN INTERMITTENT LEAVE AND GET PAID VIA THE FFCRA?

YES IF:

Both the employee and employer agree.

The employee is working remotely.

If working onsite they would not create an unacceptably high risk of spreading COVID-19 (see below).

HIGH RISK DEFINED AS:

- The employee is subject to a Federal, State, or local quarantine or isolation order related to COVID-19
- Has been advised by a health care provider to self-quarantine due to concerns related to COVID-19
- Is experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 and is taking leave to obtain a medical diagnosis
- Is caring for an individual who either is subject to a quarantine or isolation order related to COVID-19 or has been advised by a health care provider to self-quarantine due to concerns related to COVID-19
- Is experiencing any other substantially similar condition specified by the Secretary of Health and Human Services.



WHAT IF AN EMPLOYEE SAYS THEY DO NOT FEEL COMFORTABLE RETURNING TO WORK?

FIND OUT WHY

• If they have a concern about steps that are being taken to keep them safe, ask them what additional steps may be taken so they feel comfortable returning to work.

CAN YOU ACCOMODATE?

• If it is something that is reasonable and can be considered, the request should be accommodated.

IS THERE FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL GUIDANCE?

 Make sure the reason does not fall under a protected leave (such as FMLA, or FFCRA Leaves), or fall under protections such as ADA.