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Stacy Bercun Bohm, Daniel Miktus Walk Hotels Through Appropriate Steps Following COVID-19 Confirmation in Article for *Hotel Online*

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Stacy Bercun Bohm and Daniel Miktus co-authored a *Hotel Online* article analyzing the steps hotels are recommended to take following a COVID-19 confirmation among its workers or guests.

“To address the ongoing coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, governors and local officials have enacted countless emergency orders requiring individuals to stay in their homes except for certain essential activities, and ordering “non-essential” businesses to shut down. While some of the orders – particularly in South Florida – have required hotels to shut down except for certain guests, including medical workers and emergency first responders, most of these orders exempt or except the hotel and lodging industry and its employees from these shutdown and stay-at-home measures. Regardless of whether your hotel is permitted to remain fully operational or is only permitted to accept certain essential guests, enormous risks exist in continuing to accept guests during the coronavirus pandemic.

In light of this, hotel owners must review their processes and procedures for protecting their hotels from infectious disease, including COVID-19. Owners also need to consider and plan for a

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situation where guests or workers are diagnosed with coronavirus.”

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