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CPSC OIG Issues Report on Survey of Employee Sentiment on Returning to the Workplace

BETHESDA – Today the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued a report on a survey of CPSC employees views on returning to the workplace after working from home during the COVID-19 Pandemic. The survey covered topics related to vaccinations, safety and comfort at the workplace, communications from management, and preferences on work arrangements post pandemic.

Most CPSC employees indicated they intend to be vaccinated and supported policies granting administrative leave to do so. Employees indicated that adequate ventilation in the workspace was their top safety concern. Employees who had already been back to their regular worksite on at least one occasion indicated greater comfort with mandatory telework ending and regularly returning to their regular worksite than those who had not been back.

This survey follows a [previous survey](#) on CPSC employees experiences with mandatory fulltime telework from fall of 2020. The previous survey gave the OIG the opportunity to compare changing viewpoints on various topics. Employees expressed increased dissatisfaction compared to last fall with both the frequency and amount of information communicated by agency management. Further, employees' opinion on the number of days they preferred to telework remained virtually unchanged from the amount last fall with 3 days in the office per pay period being the preferred amount.

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