

Chamber's Bradley Talks COVID-19 Guidance for Business and Addressing Inequality



Today, Chamber Executive Vice President and Chief Policy Officer Neil Bradley appeared at a [Politico Live event](#) on the American workforce and economic recovery.

Bradley discussed how to give workers confidence that workplaces are safe.

“A local-based guidance approach is really the best way to go,” said Bradley. “It has to recognize that a construction site is not the same as an office building, that a restaurant is not the same as a retail store, and we have to adjust accordingly. If we give broad parameters, if we allow governors and local public health departments to adjust them based on local conditions and to change them as necessary, then we’ll do a lot better job in protecting workers.”

Bradley also addressed inequality in our society: “The economic effects of the pandemic are not evenly felt. They are amplifying problems that existed long before anyone knew about the coronavirus, and they’re problems we should be rededicating ourselves to solving both in the moment of pandemic but also structurally over the long term. These are deep-rooted issues and will take a lot of work and a lot of cooperation between the public sector and private sector.”

Last week, the Chamber released [30 initial action items](#) focused on closing the inequality of opportunity gap, focused on education, entrepreneurship, employment, and criminal justice reform.