

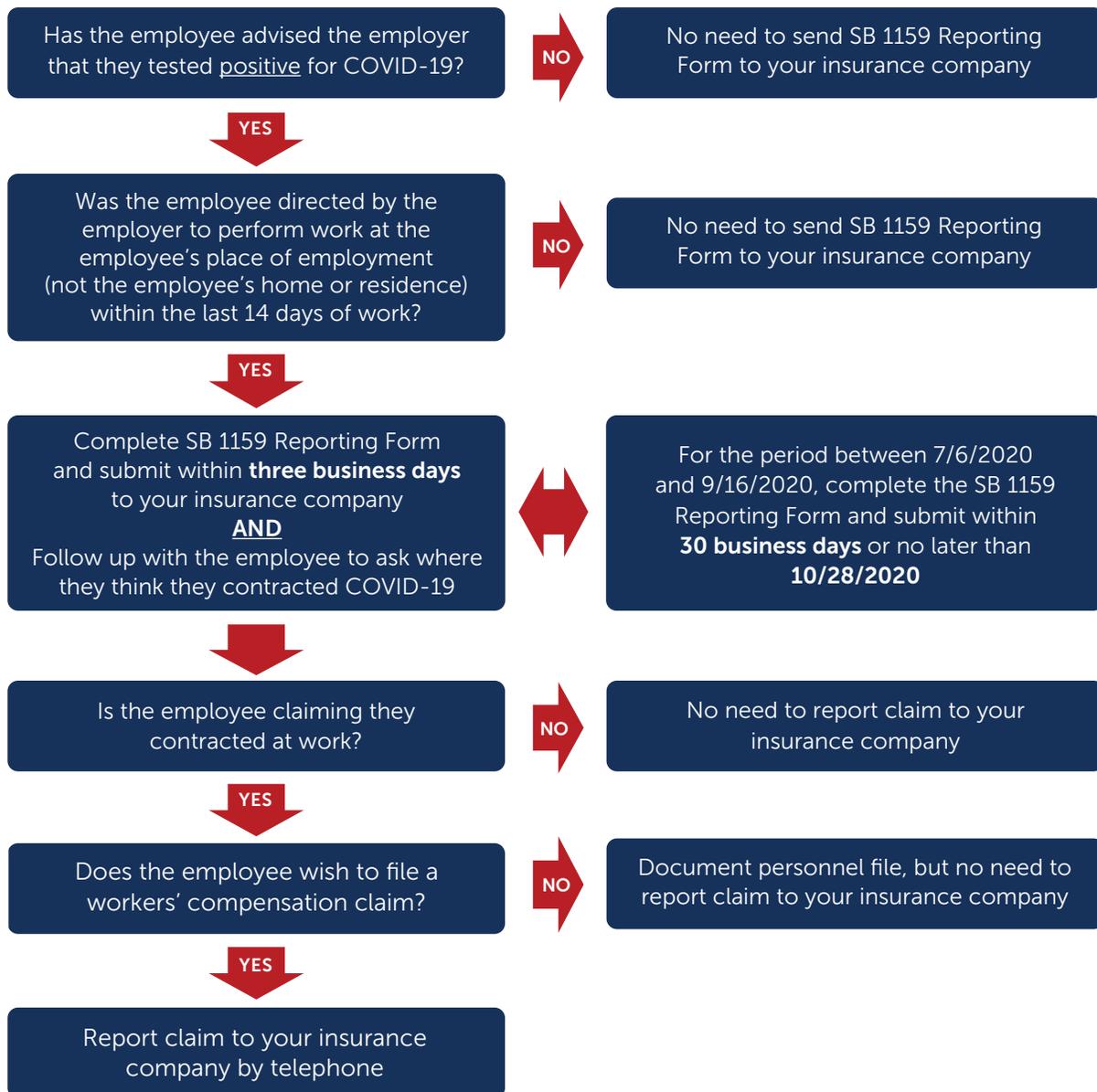
California SB-1159 – New Mandatory Reporting Guidelines for COVID-19 Claims

On September 17, 2020, California enacted SB-1159 which imposes certain reporting requirements on employers. Effective immediately, employers are required to report positive COVID-19 tests to their workers' compensation claim administrator, regardless of whether there is an allegation the COVID-19 exposure is related to work or not.

SB-1159 defines two separate periods of requirements for claims involving employees with COVID-19. The first period of March 19 through July 5 applies to claims that fall within the Governor's original Executive Order. The second period applies to reporting of employees who test positive with COVID-19 from July 6, 2020 through December 31, 2022.

The new reporting requirements will be used to identify and establish claims that have been reported under an 'outbreak' presumption.

CA SB-1159 AND CLAIM REPORTING WORKFLOW



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