## If You Test Positive for COVID-19 (Isolate)

All persons who test positive for COVID-19 or have suspected COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status

#### **STAFF:**

- Stay home for at least 5 full days from the symptom onset date if symptomatic, or the date of the positive test if no symptoms.
- On Day 6, if there are no symptoms or symptoms are resolved and no fever for at least 24 hours without medication, staff may return to work.

#### ATTENDEES:

- Stay home for at least 10 full days from the symptom onset date if symptomatic, or the date of the positive test if no symptoms.
- On Day 11, if there are no symptoms or symptoms are resolved and no fever for at least 24 hours without medication, attendee may return to childcare.

Day 0 = Symptom Onset Date or Date Test was Performed (Specimen collection date, NOT result date)

#### NOTES:

A 5-day isolation period maybe used for attendees **ONLY** by facilities who can follow all mitigation strategies, to include but not limited to the following:

- Consistent and correct use of a well-fitting mask at all times, except eating.
- Social distancing (6 feet or more between all staff and attendees, including when mask is removed for meals, snacks, and napping).

- Frequent and effective hand hygiene.
- Cohorting staff and students throughout the day
- Avoid sharing of items between individuals, classrooms, and cohorts
- Adequate ventilation
- Frequent cleaning of high touch areas and items

## If You Were Exposed to Someone with COVID-19

## If you are asymptomatic and:

Have been boosted OR

Completed the primary series of Pfizer vaccine within the last 5 months OR

Completed the primary series of Moderna vaccine within the last 6 months

OR

Completed the primary series of J&J vaccine within the last 2 months OR

Had confirmed COVID-19 within the last 90 days

- You Do Not need to quarantine after exposure.
- Wear a well-fitting mask around others for 10 days after the last date of exposure with the positive person for COVID-19
- Must test on Day 5 after the date of last exposure.

  (Persons who had a confirmed positive COVID-19 test within the last 90 days do not need to test).
  - o Rapid Antigen or PCR test is acceptable.

#### Day 0 = Date of Last Exposure

- If the person tests positive or develops symptoms, they should stay home and follow recommendations for "If You Test Positive for COVID-19 (Isolate)".
- If the person tests negative, they should continue to wear a well-fitting mask around others for 10 days from the last date of exposure.

#### Note:

 Persons who do not meet the vaccination criteria but had COVID-19 within the past 90 days can continue to work or attend childcare if they remain

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- asymptomatic. If symptoms occur, the person should be immediately excluded and recommended for testing.
- If the person is unable to wear a well-fitting mask correctly and consistently at all times, they should stay home for 10 fulldays from the date of last exposure
- If the person develops symptoms, after testing on day 5, they should immediately be excluded if they have returned to the facility, or remain home, if they have not returned to the facility and get tested.
  - If the test is positive, they should follow the recommendations for "If You Test Positive for COVID-19 (Isolate)".
  - If the test is negative, may return when applicable criteria in the <u>Communicable Diseases</u> <u>Summary</u> have been met.

## If you:

Completed the primary series of Pfizer vaccine over 5 months ago and are not boosted

OR

Completed the primary series of Moderna vaccine over 6 months ago and are not boosted OR

Completed the primary series of J&J vaccine over 2 months ago and are not boosted

OR

Are unvaccinated

OR

Are not fully vaccinated

OR

**Vaccination Status is unknown** 

You MUST quarantine after exposure

#### Staff:

- Stay home for at least 5 days after the date of last exposure with the person positive for COVID-19.
- Must test on Day 5 after the date of last exposure.
  - Rapid Antigen or PCR test is acceptable.
  - Must have test results to return to childcare.
     There should be no pending results prior to return such as negative Rapid with a pending PCR.
- On Day 6, if there are no symptoms, staff may return to work. They must always wear a well-fitting mask until 10 days after their date of last exposure to the positive person.

### Day 0 = Date of Last Exposure

- If the person tests negative, they may return to the facility IF they are able to always wear a well-fitting mask when around others until 10 days after their date of last exposure.
- If the person tests positive, they should follow the recommendations for "If You Test Positive for COVID-19 (Isolate)".

#### Attendees:

- Stay home for at least 10 days from the date of last exposure with the person with COVID-19.
- On Day 11, if there are no symptoms, attendee may return to childcare.
- Daily symptoms monitoring should occur through day 14 from the last date of exposure.
- All attendees age 2 years and older should correctly and consistently wear a mask through day 14 from last date of exposure.
- If no symptoms, testing is recommended 5 days after date of last exposure. If symptoms develop, test immediately.

#### NOTE:

- Childcare programs may use the CDC shortened quarantine period of 5 days for attendees when all the following criteria are met: <a href="mailto:daily symptom">daily symptom</a>
   monitoring continues through Day 14, strict adherence to all recommended mitigation strategies listed above, including consistent and correct use of a well-fitting mask, and maintaining 6 feet physical distancing when masks must be removed while eating and napping
- If a person is unable to wear a well-fitting mask at all times, including outdoors, then they are not eligible for the 5-day quarantine and must quarantine for 10 days from the last date of exposure.
  - Testing prior to return from a 10-day quarantine is recommended but not required.

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#### **OUTBREAK DEFINITION:**

#### Family Child Care Homes:

# Two or more laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases among

providers, provider's household members, or attendees with

onsets (or, if asymptomatic, collection dates) within a 14-day

period, and who are epidemiologically linked.

#### Child Care Center:

## Two or more laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases

among staff

or attendees with onsets (or, if asymptomatic, collection dates)

within a 14-day period, and who are epidemiologically linked,

but not household contacts.

Note: To open an outbreak investigation, cases must be from at least two separates' households.

#### If you have an outbreak situation do the following:

- Immediately exclude all positive cases
- Identify and quarantine all close contacts
- Temporarily close the affected classroom(s) (if a center) or close the home childcare for assessment and deep cleaning
- Contact the Health Department for further guidance and timeline for reopening.

Note: Outbreaks will be evaluated and managed on a case-by-case basis depending on each specific situation. Recommendations or additional guidance may be provided beyond the updated Isolation and Quarantine Guideline, to mitigate transmission during the outbreak.

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#### **Special Note:**

- Persons who are immunocompromised or unable to wear a mask correctly and consistently should follow the 10-day isolation and quarantine guidelines.
- Persons who are a household contacts of a confirmed case with COVID-19 and they are unable to avoid further contact with their ill household member may return to the facility once a minimum 5-day quarantine (depending on use of mitigation strategies, including consistent and correct mask use) period is completed after the positive person in the household is released from isolation.
  - o If the positive persons isolation ends after Day 5, the household contact quarantine would begin on day 6.
  - o If the positive persons isolation ends after day 10, the household contact quarantine would begin on day 11.

The person must undergo this additional quarantine period because the person could have been infected on the final day of the household member's isolation.

To report positive or exposed cases or an outbreak situation, please call 301-583-3751 or 301-263-3878