**COVID-19: INFECTION PREVENTION**

# SUBJECT: Interim COVID-19 Participant / Staff COVID-19 Suspected or Confirmed Case

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## Accountability: All Staff Document No.: COVID-001

**Reference:** [Information for Adult Day Centers and Day Service Facilities with a Confirmed Case of COVID-19](https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/adultdaycase.pdf)

[Discontinuation of Isolation with COVID-19 Not in Health Care Settings (Interim Guidance)](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/disposition-in-home-patients.html)

[CDC Criteria for Return to Work for Healthcare Personnel with SARS-CoV-2 Infection (Interim Guidance)](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/return-to-work.html)

**POLICY:** To minimize transmission of respiratory pathogens within the facility and among Participants and health care workers (HCW).

**PROCEDURE:**

1. If a staff person or a participant tests positive and has had contact with other staff or participants in the program within 48 hours prior to the test collection date, they, and their cohort and anyone in the center they have come in contact with will need to stay away from the center for 14 days.
2. If a staff person or participant develops symptoms during the 14-day quarantine, a 10-day isolation period will start with the date of symptom onset.
3. If a staff person or participant tests positive the program will complete the state of Minnesota REDCAP survey reporting the positive test. <https://redcap-c19.web.health.state.mn.us/redcap/surveys/?s=H8MT9TTNCD>
4. Participants/clients who live in a congregate setting may attend adult day services, provided the congregate setting has not had a COVID-19 exposure in the last 28 days.
5. Staff and participants who are close contacts or within the same cohort of a positive case of COVID-19 in the program will be notified and directed to quarantine for 14-days from the date of last exposure. The following fact-sheet will be given: <https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/contact.pdf>

**Employee Return to Work Criteria:**

* ***Symptomatic Health Care Worker with suspected or confirmed COVID-19***

*Non-test-based strategy*. Exclude from work until

* + At least 24 hours have passed *since recovery* defined as resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications **and** improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); **and**,
  + At least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*

If HCP were never tested for COVID-19 but have an alternate diagnosis (e.g., tested positive for influenza), criteria for return to work should be based on that diagnosis.

* ***Health Care Worker with Laboratory confirmed COVID-19 without symptoms***

*Non-test-based strategy*. Exclude from work until

* 10 days have passed since the date of their first positive COVID-19 diagnostic test sample is collected if the HCW remains symptom free. If the HCW develops symptoms, then the symptom-based strategy should be used.

**Participant Suspected / Confirmed COVID-19 Infection:**

1. Transmission-based isolation precautions for COVID-19 : Droplet precautions, which include standard precautions, are indicated.
   1. The Participant will be placed on droplet precautions.
   2. Contact the Participant’s primary contact to have the participant taken home.
   3. The Participant will be placed on a Participant surveillance log for tracking and follow-up.
   4. Contact the Participant’s family / responsible party with an update.
   5. If applicable, contact the Participant’s primary care provider.
2. If the Participant is COVID-19 positive DHS will be contacted and community staff will collaborate with the Department on next steps.
3. If use of common items is unavoidable, then adequately clean and disinfect them before use for another Participant.

***Participant Return to Program***

1. ***Participant with Laboratory confirmed COVID-19 with symptoms***

*Non-test-based strategy*. Exclude from program until

* 1. At least 24 hours have passed *since recovery* defined as resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications **and** improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); **and**,
  2. At least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*

1. ***Participant with Laboratory confirmed COVID-19 without symptoms***

*Time based strategy.* Exclude from program until: 10 days have passed since the date of their first positive COVID-19 diagnostic test sample is collected if the Participant remains symptom free. If the Participant develops symptoms, then the symptom-based strategy should be used.

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