



COVID-19 Description of Outbreak Testing Options & Visitation Implications

Broad-Based Testing Approach	Targeted Testing Approach
<p>Use if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A large # of people are affected • Targeted testing results continuous positive results over time • Multiple affected units in the organization • Unable to complete contract tracing in 24 hours • Upon the direction of MDH <p>It is acceptable to transition from a targeted testing approach to a broad-based testing approach.</p>	<p>Contact Tracing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be able to complete in 24 hours • Test only those who are determined to meet the definition of high-risk exposure for staff or close-contact exposure for residents. <p><i>High-Risk Exposure: Staff members had a prolonged close contact with a confirmed COVID + individual while not using all appropriate PPE.</i></p> <p><i>Close Contact Exposure: Residents who were within 6 feet of someone confirmed COVID + for a cumulative total of 15 minutes during a 24-hour period of time.</i></p> <p>It is NOT acceptable to transition from a broad-based testing approach to a targeted testing approach.</p>
Testing Frequency & Visitation	
<p>Test all staff and residents on day 2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If no new positive cases, visitation may resume except for the unit(s) / area(s) where a positive resident lives. • If new positive cases are identified, visitation should be suspended for the entire building until there are no new positive cases for 14-days testing every 3-7 days. <p>Test all staff and residents again between days 5-7.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This testing round must be done regardless of whether or not new positive tests were identified in the first testing round. • If no new cases are identified on the first round of testing <u>AND</u> this second round outbreak testing is complete. • If new cases are identified during this round of testing, outbreak testing must continue until there are no new positive cases for 14-days testing every 3-7 days.. 	<p>Test all staff who had a high-risk exposure and all residents who had a close-contact exposure to the positive individual on day 2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If no new positive cases, visitation may resume except for the unit(s) / area(s) where a positive resident lives. • If new positive cases are identified, visitation should be suspended for the entire building until there are no new positive cases for 14-days testing every 3-7 days. <p>Test all staff who had a high-risk exposure and all residents who had a close-contact exposure to the positive individual again between days 5-7.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This testing round must be done regardless of whether or not new positive tests were identified in the first testing round. • If no new cases are identified on the first round of testing <u>AND</u> this second round outbreak testing is complete. • If new cases are identified during this round of testing, outbreak testing must continue until there are no new positive cases for 14-days testing every 3-7 days. <p><i>** If new cases are identified during a targeted testing approach, contact tracing must be completed related to the new positive person.</i></p>
<p>Guidance Documents: QSO-20-38, QSO 20-39 updates are still pending, Assisted Living Testing Guidance - MDH MDH Templates: HCW Contact List TEMPLATE, Sample Risk Assessment.</p>	