Responding to a Positive COVID-19 Case

**Resident or Staff Tests Positive for COVID-19**

**Notification:**
- **Resident:** MDH will notify you
- **Staff:** Staff will need to notify you

**Communication Response**
- MDH provides sample resident and family communication for resident cases
- Provider tailors communication and sends to residents and families for staff or resident cases
- Notify staff
- Prepare media statement for use if needed

**Care Response**
- Staff testing positive:
  1) Self-quarantine at Home
  2) Contact Primary Care Provider to manage symptoms

**Staff or Resident?**
- **Resident**
  - Staff or Resident? Continue
  - Return to Work Criteria:
    1) At least 72 hours have passed since resolution of fever without use of fever-reducing meds AND improvement in respiratory symptoms (cough, shortness of breath), AND
    2) At least 7 days have passed since symptoms first appeared

**Staff or Resident?**
- **Staff**
  - Staff or Resident? Continue
  - Collaborate with MDH on Key Actions

**Transfer to Hospital**
- **Yes**
  - 1) Isolate Resident
  - 2) Implement Droplet Precautions
  - 3) Follow COVID-19 Positive Case Checklist
    (click here to access)

**MDH Notification includes support for:**
- Risk Assessment – Residents & Staff
- Infection Control Review
- PPE Review
- COVID-19 Testing Decisions

*These recommended steps follow the most current guidance as of 3/26/2020. Revisions will be distributed with any change in guidance.*