Screening and Exposure Decision Pathways for Symptomatic Persons and Contacts of Potentially Infected Persons at Educational Institutions

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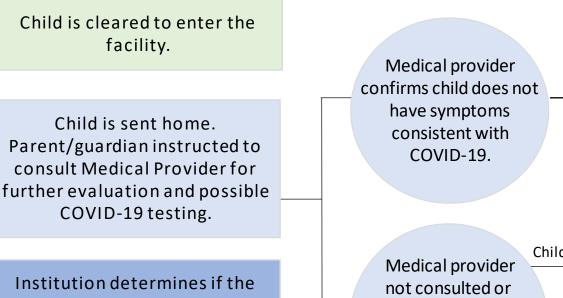
Decision Pathways for Children Screened for Symptoms and Exposures Prior to Entry¹ into an Educational Institution

 Screening indicates no symptoms and exposures for child.

2. Screening identifies child with 1 or more symptoms _ consistent with possible COVID-19.¹

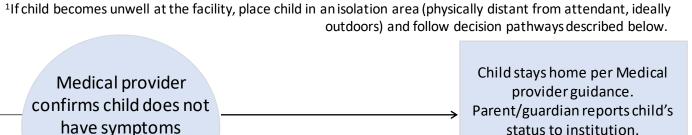
3. Screening identifies child with symptoms <u>not</u> consistent with possible COVID-19.

4. Screening identifies child as exposed to a person with confirmed COVID-19.



Institution determines if the child should be excused per illness management policy. If the child's symptoms make it difficult to comply with the facility's COVID-19 safety protocols, the child should be sent home.

Child is sent home. Parent/guardian instructed to have child tested for COVID-19. Child quarantines for 10 days from last exposure to infected person.



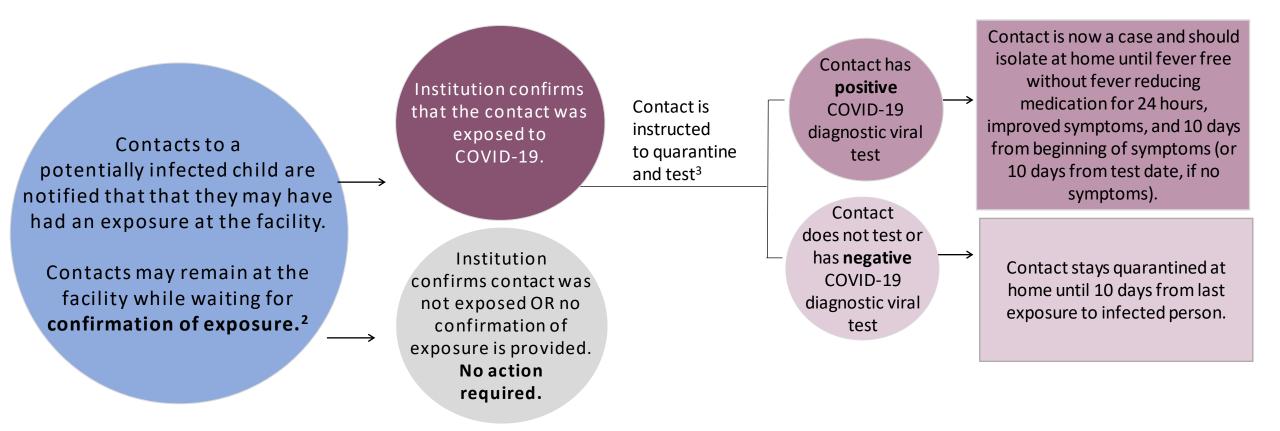
Child stays home until fever free Child has without fever reducing negative medication for 24 hours and COVID-19 improved symptoms. moleculartest Parent/guardian reports child's Child tested status to institution Child has medical provider Child stays isolated at home positive COVIDconfirms child has until fever free for 24 hours, 19 diagnostic symptoms consistent improved symptoms, and 10 viral test days from symptom onset. with COVID-19. Parent/guardian reports child's Child not tested status to institution.

¹Symptoms consistent with possible COVID-19 infection in children include: fever ≥ 100.4°F; <u>new</u> cough (different from baseline); diarrhea or vomiting. *If the child's symptoms are not consistent with possible COVID-19 but there is still concern, evaluation of the child by a medical provider is recommended.*

Decision Pathways for Contacts to a Potentially Infected Child¹ at an Educational Institution

¹A **potentially infected child** is a child with \ge 1 symptoms consistent with possible COVID-19. Symptoms include fever \ge 100.4°F; <u>new</u> cough (different from baseline); diarrhea or vomiting.

A close contact of a potentially infected child is a child or employee at the facility who was within 6 feet for \geq 15 minutes over a 24-hour period with a potentially infected child <u>OR</u> had direct contact with bodily fluids/secretions from a potentially infected child.



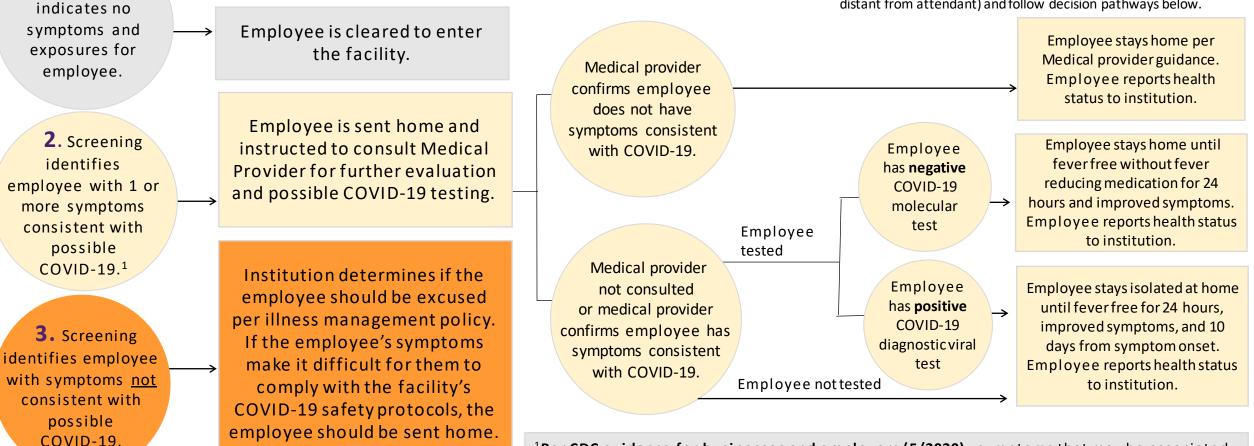
²Exposure is confirmed for a close contact to a potentially infected employee if the Institution receives notification that the potentially infected employee had a positive COVID-19 diagnostic viral test <u>OR</u> received a diagnosis of COVID-19 from a medical provider.

³Vaccinated persons who are a close contact to a confirmed case are not required to quarantine and test if they are: (1) fully vaccinated (i.e., ≥2 weeks following receipt of the second dose in a 2-dose COVID-19 vaccine series or ≥2 weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine) and (2) have remained asymptomatic since last contact with the infected person.

Screening and Exposure Decision Pathways for *Employees* at an Educational Institution and Their Close Contacts at the Facility

Decision Pathways for Employees Screened for Symptoms and Exposures Prior to Entry¹ into an Educational Institution

¹If employee becomes unwell at the facility, place employee in an isolation area (ideally outdoors, physically distant from attendant) and follow decision pathways below.



4. Screening identifies employee as exposed to a person with confirmed COVID-19.²

1. Screening

Employee is sent home and instructed to test for COVID-19.
 Employee quarantines for 10 days from last exposure to

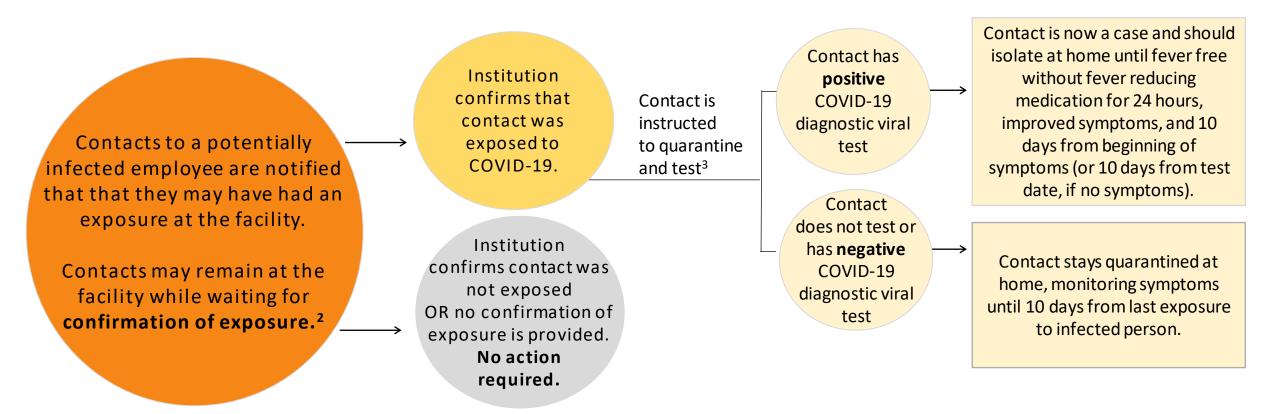
infected person.

¹Per CDC guidance for businesses and employers (5/2020), symptoms that may be associated with COVID-19 in adults include fever $\ge 100.4^{\circ}$ or feeling feverish (chills, sweating); <u>new</u> cough (different from baseline); shortness of breath; muscle or body aches; diarrhea or vomiting; <u>new</u> loss of taste or smell. *If the symptoms are not listed but there is still concern, additional evaluation by a medical provider is recommended.*

²Vaccinated persons who are a close contact to a confirmed case are not required to quarantine and test if they are: (1) fully vaccinated (i.e., ≥2 weeks following receipt of the second dose in a 2-dose COVID-19 vaccine series or ≥2 weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine) and (2) have remained asymptomatic since last contact with the infected person.

Decision Pathways for Contacts to a Potentially Infected Employee¹ at an Educational Institution

¹A **potentially infected employee** is an employee with ≥ 1 symptoms consistent with possible COVID-19. Symptoms include fever ≥ 100.4° or feeling feverish (chills, sweating); <u>new</u> cough (different from baseline); shortness of breath; muscle or body aches; diarrhea or vomiting; <u>new</u> loss of taste or smell. A **close contact of a potentially infected employee** is a child or employee at the facility who was within 6 feet for ≥ 15 minutes over a 24-hour period with a potentially infected employee <u>OR</u> had direct contact with bodily fluids/secretions from a potentially infected employee.

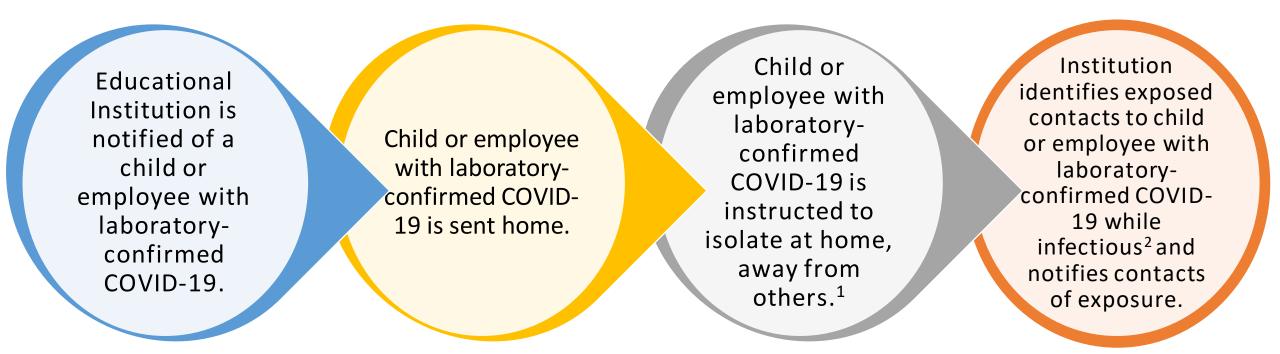


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Decision Pathways for Children or Employees with Laboratory-Confirmed COVID-19 at an Educational Institution and Their Close Contacts at the Facility

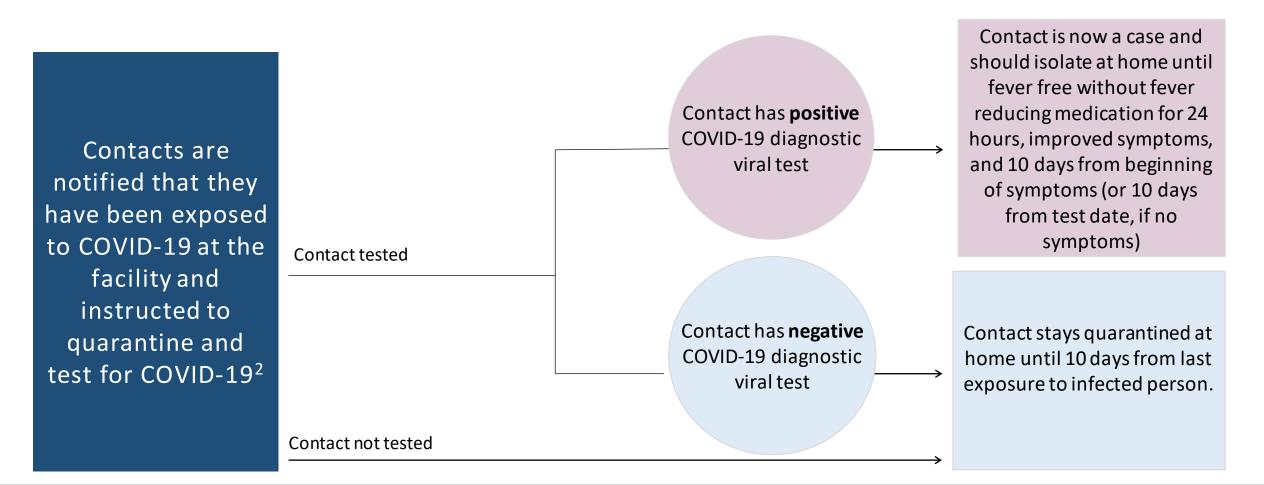
Guidance for Child or Employee with Laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 at an Educational Institution



¹ Persons with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 should isolate until fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication, improved symptoms, and 10 days from beginning of symptoms (or 10 days from test date, if no symptoms).
²The infectious period for an infected person is 48 hours before symptom onset (or test date for persons with no symptoms) until the infected person is no longer required to be isolated.

Decision Pathways for Contacts¹ to a Child or Employee with Laboratoryconfirmed COVID-19 at an Educational Institution.

¹A close contact to a child or employee with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 is a child or employee at the facility that was within 6 feet for ≥ 15 minutes over a 24hour period with the infected person <u>OR</u> had unprotected direct contact with bodily fluids/secretions from the infected person.



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