

Mercer County Health District

People with symptoms suggestive of COVID-19	People who received a lab test for COVID-19	People who have not received a lab test for COVID-19	People who were exposed to someone with COVID-19	People with symptoms caused by another condition
<p>Symptoms:</p> <p>new cough (or change in baseline) shortness of breath fever ($\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$) new onset severe headache sore throat vomiting/diarrhea loss of taste/smell</p> <p>Person with any of the above symptoms should be sent home from school and person should seek evaluation by their primary care provider or another healthcare provider.</p> <p>Definitions: Quarantine: No symptoms and exposed to someone with or presumed to have COVID-19. Stay home for 14 days and monitor for symptoms. Isolation: Ill: Have symptoms consistent with COVID-19. Stay home for 10 days after symptoms occurred.</p>	<p>Pending test result: Home isolation of person and quarantine of their household while result is pending</p> <p>Positive test result: Isolate at home; Return to school after 10 days since first symptoms AND no fever for at least 24 hours without fever-reducing medicines AND symptoms improving</p> <p>Mercer County Health District will investigate positive cases, probable cases, and their close contacts.</p> <p>Household members and close contacts (people who have been within 6 feet of someone with COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more) are to quarantine at home for 14 days.</p> <p>Negative test result AND a healthcare provider has determined COVID-19 remains the most probable diagnosis (i.e. an alternative diagnosis does not explain symptoms): Isolate at home; Return to school after 10 days since first symptoms AND no fever for at least 24 hours without fever-reducing medicines AND symptoms improving</p> <p>Household members and close contacts are to quarantine at home for 14 days.</p>	<p>COVID-19 diagnosis without lab confirmation: Isolate at home; Return to school after 10 days since first symptoms AND no fever for at least 24 hours without fever-reducing medicines AND symptoms improving</p> <p>If a person does not seek medical evaluation: Isolate at home; Return to school after 10 days since first symptoms AND no fever for at least 24 hours without fever-reducing medicines AND symptoms improving</p> <p>It is recommended that these people contact their primary care provider.</p>	<p>Person should quarantine at home for 14 days if they were a close contact (within 6 feet for 15 minutes or longer) to a person with COVID-19 during the infectious period.</p> <p>Infectious periods: A person with COVID-19 is considered infectious beginning 48 hours before their first symptom through Day 10 after their first symptom. The day of their first symptom is Day 0.</p> <p>An asymptomatic person is considered infectious 48 hours before their test date through Day 10 after their test date. The test date is Day 0.</p>	<p>Stay home until symptoms have improved. Follow specific guidance from provider.</p> <p>Follow school policy on return to school for other illnesses.</p>

