

Notification of Close Contacts to School POC

The school POC will be notified of close contacts in the following situation:

Close contacts of a confirmed case who attended school while considered infectious

- Positive case is considered infectious two days (48 hours) prior to symptom onset
- Close contacts will be determined in coordination with the school POC and DOH investigator

Example Scenario:

- ✓ Child became symptomatic Friday, 8/28
- ✓ Tested 8/29 and received results 8/30
 - Child being tested isolates until receives result
- ✓ Child attended school 8/26, 8/27 and 8/28 while considered infectious before being sent home ill
- ✓ School exposure occurred and identified during DOH case investigation; DOH investigator contacts school POC to determine school close contacts on 8/26 through positive case isolating (8/29)

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The school POC will NOT be notified of close contacts in the following situations:

Person is a close contact with exposure occurring outside of the school setting

- Social, secondary workplace, household

Example Scenarios:

Mom (or other relative) tests positive and child is identified as a close contact

- ✓ Parents will be responsible for informing the school

Faculty member is exposed by a positive household member

- ✓ Faculty member identified as a social close contact
 - i.e. Exposed by friend, social gathering
- ✓ Faculty member would be responsible for notifying employer

*Close contacts are provided a quarantine exclusion letter by the DOH

*DOH does enroll close contacts in text illness monitoring, if capable

Quarantine for Close Contact

A close contact's quarantine period is 14 days since date of last exposure.

If a close contact has continued exposure to a positive case through positive case's 10-day isolation period:

- 14-day quarantine for close contact will start when positive case is released from isolation

Example Scenario:

Mom tests positive and is primary caretaker of child and unable to isolate away from child

- ✓ Mom starts experiencing symptoms 8/17
- ✓ Mom meets criteria and released from isolation 8/27
 - 10 days have passed since symptoms started AND 24 hours fever free without use of fever reducing medications AND improvement in symptoms
- ✓ Child had exposure to mom until 8/23 when Grandma came to help
- ✓ Child's 14-day quarantine begins 8/23 until 9/6
- ✓ If child becomes symptomatic during quarantine and tests positive, the child will isolate for 10 days since onset of symptoms.