

Next Steps:

close contacts of someone with COVID-19

- **Quarantine stops the spread of COVID-19 by preventing a potentially infected person from spreading the virus to others.**
- **Anyone who is a close contact of someone with COVID-19 should quarantine for 14 days after their last exposure to the positive person.**
- People who DO NOT develop symptoms may elect to end quarantine before 14 days with continued symptom monitoring and:
 - After a full 10 days of quarantine if no symptoms have been reported during daily monitoring. In this scenario, you would be released from quarantine on day 11 after your last known exposure to a positive or probable case. No testing is required.
 - After a full 7 days of quarantine, with a negative test result that was collected within 48 hours of the end of quarantine. In this scenario, you would be tested on day 6 or later after your last known exposure to a positive or probable case, and you would be released from quarantine on day 8 as long as your test result comes back negative.
- **It is important that all close contacts self-monitor for symptoms for 14 days after their last exposure to a positive or probable case, even those that elected a shorter quarantine.**

What does it mean to be a “close contact” of someone with COVID-19?



You are a “close contact” if **ANY** of the following situations happened while you spent time with the person with COVID-19 (even if they didn’t have symptoms):

- Had direct physical contact with the person (e.g., hug, kiss, handshake).
- Were within 6 feet of the person for more than 15 minutes.
- Had contact with the person’s respiratory secretions (e.g., coughed/sneezed on, contact with dirty tissue, sharing a drinking glass, food or towels or other personal items).
- Stayed overnight for at least one night in a household with the person.

REMEMBER:

- Someone who is sick with COVID-19 can spread it two days before they show any symptoms.
- Not everyone with COVID-19 will have symptoms, but they may still spread it to others.

How do I self-quarantine?

- **Stay home as much as possible.**
- **Most people should not go to work if they have to be around other people.** Talk with your employer about working remotely if your employer allows it. Health care workers should contact their employer for the current health policy.
- **Avoid travel.** You may not fly or take other public transportation during your quarantine period. If travel is absolutely necessary, public health may permit you to use a private or rental vehicle to return home as long as you haven't developed symptoms. If while traveling you become ill, you should expect to isolate in place and may not be able to return home until after you recover.
- **Wash your hands often and practice good hygiene.**
- **Do not use public transportation, ride-sharing, or taxis.**
- **Go out only if absolutely necessary.** Instead, see if someone can drop off essentials at your house. If you need to go out, limit your travel to essential needs, for example, going to the doctor, getting groceries, or picking up medication. Remember to always wear a cloth face covering.
- **Postpone all non-essential medical appointments until your quarantine is over.** If you have an essential appointment during quarantine, call your doctor about what arrangements can be made.
- **Wear a face covering when you are around others.** This helps protect others by preventing respiratory droplets from getting into the air.

How do I self-monitor?

- **Measure your temperature twice a day, once in the morning and once at night.** If you don't have a thermometer, watch for symptoms of fever like feeling hot, chills, or sweats.
- **Watch for cough or difficulty breathing.**
- **Respond to your local health department.** They may ask you for information about how you are feeling. If they do, they will tell you how to provide this information (for example, phone calls, emails, text message) and how often.



If you develop fever, cough, have difficulty breathing, or any other symptoms of COVID-19*:



1. **Contact your doctor.** Tell them your symptoms and see if you need medical care or testing. Do not go to your doctor's office without contacting them first.
2. **Stay home unless you need emergency medical attention.** Isolate yourself from others in your home, practice good hand hygiene, sanitize surfaces in your home, and wear a face covering if you need to be around other people. If you need emergency medical attention, call 911 and let them know that you are being monitored for COVID-19.

***Other COVID-19 symptoms may include sore throat, runny nose, muscle pain, headache, new loss of sense of taste or smell. Some people may also experience fatigue or gastrointestinal symptoms such as nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, or abdominal pain.**



14-day Fever and Symptom Tracker - COVID-19

Name			Age (years)	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Street Address		City	State	Your Telephone Number
Local Health Department			Telephone Number – Daytime	Telephone Number – After hours

Put the **current date** in the space provided for the next 14 days. Take your temperature twice a day; **once in the morning (a.m.) and once in the evening (p.m.)**, circle **Yes** or **No** if you have fever or are feverish, then write your temperature in the space.

Circle **Yes** or **No** - If you have a cough, sore throat, or shortness of breath for each day.

Do not leave any spaces blank. If you have a fever or any symptom, immediately call your doctor.

Date (month/day) (Days 1-14)	Feverish?	Temperature Morning (a.m.)	Temperature Evening (p.m.)	Cough	Sore Throat	Shortness of Breath	Other Symptoms
1	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	
2	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	
3	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	
4	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	
5	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	
6	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	
7	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	
8	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	
9	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	
10	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	
11	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	
12	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	
13	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	
14	Yes / No	°C / °F	°C / °F	Yes / No	Yes / No	Yes / No	