COVID-19 Symptomatic, Positive, or Exposure Algorithm

Workplace Exposure

- Conditions of exposure assessed by Supervisor / Campus Action Lead and reviewed by COVID-19 Exposure Panel (CEP)

Community Exposure

- Conditions of exposure assessed by Supervisor / Campus Action Lead and reviewed by COVID-19 Exposure Panel (CEP)

Clinical Environment - Manned Line Algorithm

- Low-Risk Exposure
- High-Risk Exposure
- Low-Risk Exposure

Non-Clinical Environment - Mask, Handwashing and Social Distancing

Monitoring for Symptoms

- Appropriate PPE & protocols for workplace environment?

COVID-19 Test

- Initiate Self-Isolation Immediately
- Contact Supervisor and Personal Primary Care Provider and Employee Health (where applicable) for Care Closure

COVID-19 Exposure

- MUST CONFIRM completed TAMU COVID-19 Reporting Form

COVID-19 Symptomatic

- Complete at least 14-day self-isolation as per CEP COVID-19 Reporting Form
- Contact Supervisor and Employee Health (where applicable) for Care Closure

COVID-19 Positive

- Complete 14-day self-quarantine as per CEP COVID-19 Reporting Form
- Contact Supervisor and Employee Health (where applicable) for Care Closure

COVID-19 Exposure Panel

- Complete at least 14-day self-quarantine as per CEP COVID-19 Reporting Form
- Contact Supervisor and Employee Health (where applicable) for Care Closure

COVID-19 Self-Checker

- Use the CDC's COVID-19 Self-Checker

References

1. AHA Guiding Principles to Protect Learners Responding to COVID-19
2. AHA Practical Guide to Restoring Clinical Externships for Medical Students
3. CDC Guidelines for Return to Work for Healthcare Personnel with Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19
4. COM COVID-19 Concern Reporting Form
5. CDC Guidance – Coronavirus versus Influenza
6. Dallas County – COVID-19 Home Care Guidelines
7. TAMU COVID-19 Form
8. COM Exposure Re-entry Algorithm
9. COM COVID POSITIVE Re-entry Algorithm

Supervisory Designees

1. Supervisor for Students - Chair of the Clerkship Director and Campus Dean
2. Supervisor for Staff - Executive Director for Administration and Campus Dean
3. Supervisor for Faculty - COM Employed Faculty - Department Head and Campus Dean
4. Affiliate Faculty – Employee Health and Campus Dean

Self Monitoring - Watch for symptoms

People with COVID-19 have a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

This list does not include all possible symptoms. CDC will continue to update this list as we learn more about COVID-19.

This is the CDC's COVID-19 Self-Checker

Quarantine

Quarantine is used to keep someone who might have been exposed to COVID-19 away from others.

Quarantine helps prevent spread of disease that can occur before a person knows they are sick or if they are infected with the virus without feeling symptoms.

People in quarantine should stay home, separate themselves from others, monitor their health, and follow directions from their state or local health department.

Isolation

Isolation is used to separate people infected with the virus (those who are sick with COVID-19 and those with no symptoms) from people who are not infected.

People who are in isolation should stay home until it is safe for them to be around others. In the home, anyone sick or infected should separate themselves from others by staying in a specific “risk room” area and using a separate bathroom (if available).