



Sample Triage Approach for Determining COVID-19 Exposure/Risk and CDC Compliance

Do you have any new symptoms related to COVID-19 such as fever, cough and/or SOB?

Yes

Ask: Have you been diagnosed with COVID-19?

NO

Seek care/advice immediately from ptp's PCP and follow PCP directions.

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Nurse Triage to determine appropriate next steps. Steps may include but are not limited to the following based on RN clinical judgment:

- Education regarding PCP directions to ptp and/or caregiver.
- Education regarding self-isolation to limit exposure to others.
- If indicated by PCP, assist with coordination/scheduling transportation through HMO services if available or provide alternate resources.
- If the PCP recommended at home isolation: Schedule a F/U with ptp within the next 24 hours via video and/or telephone f/u with ptp and/or caregiver.

Notify Program Director (PD)/Administrator immediately to determine next steps.
Document appropriately in ptp's electronic medical record (EMR).

Yes

Notify Program Director (PD)/Administrator immediately.

PD/Administrator to reach out to appropriate government agencies as indicated by the CDC (local or state health department) notifying them of the participant's diagnosis in order to receive guidance for next steps.

With the guidance of County Public Health Department:

- Notification to all ADHC/CBAS staff/participants regarding potential exposure.
- Completion of the PUI and Case Report form based on CDC guidelines if person meets the criteria for PUI.

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No

No further investigation into COVID-19 for the participant. Continue steps to determine exposure.

Ask: Are you in close contact* with anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19?

No

Education regarding self-isolation to minimize exposure risk

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Yes

Reach out to PCP for further guidance from physician regarding testing and/or isolation. and

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*Close contact is defined by the CDC as—

- a) being within approximately 6 feet (2 meters) of a COVID-19 case for a prolonged period of time; close contact can occur while caring for, living with, visiting, or sharing a healthcare waiting area or room with a COVID-19 case— or —
- b) having direct contact with infectious secretions of a COVID-19 case (e.g., being coughed on)