RETURN TO SCHOOL/CHILDCARE/WORK GUIDANCE FOLLOWING A POSITIVE SYMPTOM SCREEN FOR COVID-19 AND NO EXPOSURE

This guidance can be used by school, childcare and workplace staff to screen for COVID-19 symptoms.

Does the person have:
- Any class A symptom of any duration, or
- 2 or more class B symptoms of any duration, or
- 1 or more class B symptom(s) lasting more than 24 hours
- No known COVID-19 exposure in prior 14 days

Medical evaluation and/or COVID test are recommended. Does a health care provider make an alternative diagnosis that explains all symptoms without performing a COVID-19 test?

YES

NO

No medical evaluation/no test done

Yes

COVID-19 test is...

Negative

Positive or not done

Isolate until at least:
- 10 days since symptom onset AND
- 24 hours after fever resolves without use of fever-reducing medications AND
- Symptoms have improved

Consider medical evaluation and COVID test. Does a health care provider make an alternative diagnosis that explains all symptoms without performing a COVID-19 test?

NO

YES

No medical evaluation/no test done

Have symptoms improved in 24 hours?

YES

10/14/20

NO

Follow 1 or more Class B symptom(s) lasting more than 24 hours.

1In symptomatic persons, a negative rapid test should be confirmed with a PCR test performed in a clinical laboratory. See Interim Guidance for Rapid Antigen Testing for SARS-CoV-2 and Considerations for Interpreting Antigen Test Results.

Other possible scenarios for Schools:
- Nursing staff may consider general complaints on a case-by-case basis (abdominal pain, fatigue, headache with no other symptoms).
- Nursing staff may consider chronic or recurring medical conditions that present with symptoms above on a case-by-case basis.

Visit DOH.WA.GOV/Coronavirus for more information.

Symptoms consistent with COVID-19

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Antigen tests are not recommended for asymptomatic individuals.

Follow 1 or more Class B symptom(s) lasting more than 24 hours.