

HIGH-RISK COVID-19 EXPOSURE WORKFLOW

EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITY

SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITY

IPAC RESPONSIBILITY

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A HIGH-RISK EXPOSURE IS SUSPECTED

A high-risk exposure is defined as when a health care worker (HCW) is with an unmasked positive COVID-19 patient closer than 6 feet for greater than 15 minutes without an N-95 mask and eye protection on.

If HCW becomes aware of a high-risk patient exposure, they should contact their supervisor immediately.

The HCW does not need to contact IPAC - only supervisors should contact IPAC in the case of a suspected high-risk exposure.

Supervisor should contact IPAC directly in order to receive instructions on how to evaluate the HCW's exposure risk.

Call **323-6337** during business hours.

IPAC will send an email to the supervisor with specific directions and algorithm for the supervisor to follow and evaluate their department's exposure risk.

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HCW IS DEEMED A HIGH-RISK EXPOSURE

HCW will be asked to test on day 2 and again between day 5-7 post-exposure.

HCW should wait to hear from Alumni Drive-Thru Clinic for a testing date and time.

Asymptomatic HCWs can continue to work during exposure testing.

Supervisor will send exposed HCW name and employee ID to the IPAC team at **ipacrn-l@lsv.uky.edu** so IPAC staff can set up testing appointments at Alumni Drive-Thru Clinic.

IPAC will contact Alumni Drive-Thru Clinic and set up testing for those HCWs deemed as high-risk exposures by their supervisors.

Alumni Drive-Thru Clinic will contact the HCW with date and time to test for both day 2 test and day 5-7 test.

3A

IF HCW TESTS POSITIVE ON DAY 2

If HCW's test is **POSITIVE**, they should notify their supervisor, isolate and follow return-to-work criteria/guidance.

For questions, contact direct supervisor.

Supervisor should track all staff who are unable to work due to COVID-19 by filling out the form at <https://bit.ly/staffcovidtracker>.

3B

IF HCW TESTS NEGATIVE ON DAY 2

If HCW's test is **NEGATIVE**, they should continue to work as long as they remain asymptomatic.

Continue to follow the infection prevention guidance at all times while at work:

- Daily screenings for any symptoms
- Tight-fitting medical grade mask at all times
- Social distancing from co-workers and others

HCW should wait on Alumni Drive-Thru Clinic to contact them for next exposure testing date. *Wait times may vary due to volume.*

Alumni Drive-Thru Clinic will contact the HCW with next exposure testing date, if one has not already been scheduled.

4A

IF HCW TESTS POSITIVE ON DAY 5-7

If HCW's Day 5-7 test is **POSITIVE**, they should:

- Notify their supervisor
- Isolate
- Follow return-to-work criteria/guidance.

For questions, contact direct supervisor.

Supervisor should track all staff who are unable to work due to COVID-19 by filling out the form at <https://bit.ly/staffcovidtracker>.

4B

IF HCW TESTS NEGATIVE ON DAY 5-7

If HCW's Day 5-7 test is **NEGATIVE**, exposure workup is *complete*.

HCWs should continue to work as long as they remain asymptomatic and follow the infection prevention guidance at all times while at work:

- Daily screenings for any symptoms
- Tight-fitting medical grade mask at all times
- Social distancing from co-workers and others

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IF HCW BECOMES SYMPTOMATIC AT ANY TIME

If HCW becomes **SYMPTOMATIC**, they should:

- Notify their supervisor immediately
- Not work if they are symptomatic
- Complete the Qualtrics survey to be tested at the Alumni Drive-Thru Clinic as soon as possible
- Quarantine until results from COVID test

SYMPTOMATIC HCW'S WITH A NEGATIVE COVID TEST RESULT may work if able, as long as they:

1. Are afebrile (temperature below 100.4°)
2. Are not short of breath
3. Follow the infection prevention guidance at all times while at work:
 - Daily screenings for any NEW symptoms
 - Tight-fitting medical grade mask at all times
 - Social distancing from co-workers and others