

**COVID-19 SCREENING AND OUTBREAK WORKFLOW
FOR LICENSED RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES (ARFs and RCFEs (June 2020)**

I. Daily monitoring and response for COVID-19 symptoms within facility

1) Daily universal screening of all residents and staff (if no positive cases)

Screen residents and staff daily and upon facility entry. Do a symptom screen and check each person's temperature. Symptoms of COVID-19 range from cold and flu-like illness to pneumonia and severe respiratory disease.

IF NO ONE HAS TESTED POSITIVE- FOLLOW THIS FLOW.

2a) For symptomatic residents

Mild to moderate symptoms

- ❖ Home isolation for 14 days after symptoms start and 3 days after symptoms resolve. Call 911 if symptoms worsen
- ❖ Contact ERC team re: testing resources.

If High-risk (>50 yrs old, serious medical issues/ immuno-compromised)

- Call patient's primary care provider *now*
- Close monitoring

Moderate to severe symptoms

- ❖ May need hospitalization, especially if high risk (>50, serious medical issues). If on the fence about calling 911, call patient's primary care doctor or insurance nurse advice line

Close Contacts (Less than 6 ft, greater than 10 min)

- ❖ Home quarantine for 14 days. Monitor for symptoms.

2b) For symptomatic staff

Acute respiratory illness

- ❖ Home isolation for 10 days after symptoms start and 3 days after symptoms resolve. If returning to work, wear surgical mask at work for full 14 days after symptoms start. Seek free testing:
<https://lacovidprod.service-now.com/rrs>

Close Contact Exposure

- ❖ Home quarantine for 14 days. Seek free testing:
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II. Facility response if there are confirmed or suspected COVID-19 cases

- (1) Have there been any confirmed COVID-19 cases in your facility or amongst your staff? **OR**
(2) Have there been two or more facility residents or staff who developed COVID symptoms in the last 72 hours?



If yes to either question, there may be an outbreak at your facility. Do the following:

- 1) Contact LAC DPH to report 213-240-7941 (Mon – Fri 8 a to 5 p) or 213-974-1234 (after hours)**
- 2) Notify your funding and regulatory agencies (e.g., DHS, DMH, VA, LTC Ombuds, CCLD)**

IF YOU HAVE, OR SUSPECT, AN OUTBREAK:

1. Review Isolation/Quarantine procedures

(1) Separate symptomatic or confirmed resident cases. Positive staff: home isolation for 14 days.

(2) Close contacts: cohort together in quarantine area.

(3) Do not allow any new admissions for 14 days.

(4) Staff: wear full PPE when going into isolation and quarantine areas.

(5) Ensure heightened infection control procedures per DPH guidance.

2. Assess PPE and cleaning supplies

← Make a list of available PPE. The minimum PPE a facility should have is:

40 N95 Respirators

✓ 100 Surgical masks

✓ 60 Gowns

✓ 240 Glove sets
(480 gloves total)

✓ 20 Faceshields

← If facility has less than this minimum, please contact CCLD or Housing for Health to request “surge PPE supplies for facility”

← You can also order cleaning supplies for your facility directly through companies on this google doc (Click: [Link](#))

4) Schedule follow up with agency lead (DHS, DMH, VA, LTC Ombuds) within 24 hours of receiving positive test results to coordinate DPH recommendations:

- If you have an outbreak, DPH will assign a Public Health Nurse (PHN) and Medical Lead MD. Send name of PHN and Medical Lead to agency lead
- Agency lead will call you to do a follow-up survey to see what kind of help you need.
- If clients are unable to self isolate or quarantine due to behavioral issues, contact DPH IQ Referral Line: **833-596-1009 (M-F 8 a - 5 p)**

5) If getting testing from a non-DPH tester or lab, please contact DHS or DMH ERC team to discuss testing strategy:

- Pre-testing assessment: Plan for isolation and quarantine strategy, full facility testing for all residents and staff, results tracking and results notification.
- Post-testing assessment: Implement isolation and quarantine for positives, decide quarantine duration, plan for repeat testing on all negative residents and staff, no repeat testing in positives.