Cold and Flu Season & COVID-19



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I just started feeling sick, now what?

- Test yourself for COVID, and if you test positive, follow the instructions below. Check the expiration date on your test to make sure your test isn't expired.
- If you test negative for COVID, you can come to work or attend therapy if you can wear a mask anytime you are in a shared space with clients or coworkers. Employees are encouraged to eat meals away from others when they are sick. Masks can be removed when in office spaces alone.
- Continue wearing a mask until all of your symptoms have gone away.

I've been exposed to COVID-19, now what?

- Wear a mask for 10 days.
 - Day 0 is the day you were exposed, and the next day is Day 1.
- Test for COVID on day 6, or sooner if you start getting symptoms.
 - Check the expiration date on your test to make sure it isn't expired.
 - o Even if you test negative, continue to wear a mask for all 10 days.
 - o If you test positive, follow the steps below.
- Please note that staff will be notified when HR has been alerted of a prolonged exposure in the workplace. We are no longer notifying clients of exposures in our facilities, or staff of potential or brief exposures.

I've tested positive for COVID-19, now what?

- Stay home and isolate from family members as much as possible for 5 days.
 - Day 0 is the day symptoms start or the day you tested positive if you do not have symptoms.
- Employees should contact their supervisor and HR promptly to notify them of a positive test so that exposed employees can be notified as appropriate.
- You can end isolation and come to work or attend therapy sessions starting on day 6 if you have been fever-free for 24 hours and your symptoms have improved. If you come into work, please remember to keep your mask on at all times when share space with others.
- Continue to wear a mask for a total of 10 days, or longer if you are still experiencing symptoms.
- Contact your primary care doctor or seek assistance at an urgent care or hospital if you are experiencing worsening symptoms or need medical guidance.

Thank you for your careful attention. Your cooperation plays a meaningful part in keeping our **doors open** and our kids healthy and safe!

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