

COVID-19

Criteria for Returning to Daycare/Day Camps

1. If a child/staff member fails screening due to new/worsening symptoms, send the individual home and recommend a test.
 - a. If negative, the child/staff member can return 24 hours after symptoms resolve (72 hours with cough only).
 - b. If positive, follow up as required. All close contacts of the case, including members of the cohort (staff and children), must self-isolate and not return for 14 days from last exposure. The whole center does not need to close unless the outbreak spreads to another room/cohort.
 - c. If the family/individual refuses to test, the child/staff member must remain off for 14 days from symptom onset (and 24 hours symptom free/72 hours with cough only).
2. If a child/staff member fails screening due to symptoms consistent with a condition the child is known to have (outside of fever) send the individual home and recommend a test. *Note* a test may not be warranted for children with known allergies or intolerances.
 - a. If positive, see 1. b.
 - b. If negative or the family/individual refuses to test, the individual can return if symptoms do not progress or worsen after 24 hours and a parent states that symptoms are due to an underlying cause and is not communicable. If the individual has gastrointestinal symptoms, wait 48 hours after symptoms resolve before returning.
 - c. If the family/individual refuses to test and symptoms progress or worsen after 24 hours, a test must be conducted or the child/staff member must remain off for 14 days from symptom onset (and 24 hours symptom free/72 hours with cough only).

Note: With home childcare, the provider cannot provide care if anyone in the household, including themselves, fails screening.