

# COVID-19 Decision Tool for Child Care Staff and Visitors

For all situations listed in the flow chart below:

## (A) Close Contact

- Anyone who is a close contact of a positive case will have to self-isolate for 14 days, and should arrange to get tested.
- If someone is self-isolating in the home, children in the home will also need to stay home from child care for the 14 day self-isolation period.

## (B) Travel Outside of Canada

- Anyone who has travelled outside of Canada is required to self-isolate for 14 days.
- Household members will also need to stay home from child care for the 14 days of the travel self-isolation period.
- If the traveller is exempt from self-isolation due to an essential job (e.g. truck driver, pilot), household members do not need to stay home.

Staff/visitors must complete the [self-screening questionnaire](#)

Have symptoms? Not a close contact?  
No travel outside of Canada?

Did not get tested?

**Stay home, self-isolate and get tested.**

Household members who attend a child care setting should self-isolate.

**Stay home and self-isolate for 10 days.**

You can return to child care after 10 days if symptoms are improving for 24 hours, as long as A and B do not apply.

Household members who attend a child care setting must self-isolate for 14 days.

If any household members develop symptoms, they need to self-isolate and get tested.

**Go for test**

### Test Positive:

Staff/visitors who are ill should stay home, self-isolate for at least 10 days, and follow advice from public health. They should not go to child care/ work. All household members should self-isolate and follow public health advice.

### Test Negative:

Staff/visitors can return to the child care if it has been 24 hours since their symptoms started improving as long as A and B do not apply.

If there is an alternative diagnosis from a health care provider, they can return to child care once their symptoms are improving for 24 hours, as long as A and B do not apply.

Household members can also return to work/child care.

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