

COVID-19 Decision Tool for Day Camp Attendees

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Updated COVID-19 screening for symptoms:

Children attending day camp must be screened prior to entry. Screening may be performed by a day camp staff or a parent/guardian by completing a self-screening questionnaire. For children with a chronic health issue that is medically diagnosed and unrelated to COVID-19, look for **new, different or worsening symptoms**.

*If the child aged 12 years and older has symptoms of a mild headache, tiredness, sore muscles or joints that occur within 48 hours after getting a COVID-19 vaccine, they should indicate "NO" to the symptoms, and the child is to wear a fitted mask when at day camp. If their symptoms last longer than 48 hours or worsen, they are to stay home, self-isolate and get tested.

Does the child attending day camp have any of the following symptoms (even mild symptoms)?



Fever >37.8°C



Cough



Difficulty breathing



Decrease or loss of taste or smell



Sore throat, painful swallowing



Stuffy/runny nose



Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea



Headache*



Feeling unwell, muscle aches, tired*

Children should be excluded from attending day camp, under the following conditions:

- (A) If the child has **one or more symptoms**, even if it is mild or has resolved, the child should stay home, self-isolate, and get tested or contact their health care provider.
- (B) If anyone in the child's **household** has one or more of the above symptoms the child should also stay home, self-isolate and follow instructions from public health. **
- (C) If the child has been in **close contact with a person who has COVID-19** they will need to stay home and self-isolate for 14 days, even if they don't have symptoms.
- (D) If the child has **travelled outside of Canada** they must **self-isolate** for 14 days. ***

** This does not apply if the household member received a COVID-19 vaccination in the last 48 hours and is experiencing mild headache, fatigue, muscle aches and/or joint pain that only began after vaccination.

*** If the individual who travelled does not have symptoms and they are fully vaccinated (have received both doses of a two-dose series and it has been more than two weeks since their last dose) prior to their entry into Canada, they may not need to self-isolate. There are some exemptions for people eligible to enter Canada who also meet specific [federal conditions for fully vaccinated travellers](#).

Child has symptoms but is not a close contact of someone with COVID-19

- If the child has any new or worsening symptoms, they must stay home, self-isolate, and get tested or contact their health care provider, even if the symptom has resolved.
- Anyone in the household who attends a day camp setting must also stay home and self-isolate until the child's test is negative.

Child has symptoms and tests positive for COVID-19

- The child must stay home and self-isolate for 10 days, starting from the day the symptoms started.
- The child may return to day camp after 10 days if they do not have a fever (without use of medication), and their symptoms have been improving for at least 24 hours.
- Even if the child does not have symptoms they must stay home and self-isolate for 10 days from the day of the test.
- All other adults and children in the household must stay home, self-isolate for at least 14 days from their last contact with the contagious child and follow public health advice.

Child has symptoms and tests negative for COVID-19

- The child may return to day camp if their symptoms have been improving for 24 hours, and if they are not a close contact of someone with COVID-19 or have travelled outside of Canada.
- Household members can return to day camp right away as long as they do not have symptoms.

Child has symptoms, is not a close contact of a positive case, and is not tested for COVID-19

- If the child has symptoms of COVID-19 that are not related to an existing medical condition or recent COVID-19 vaccination* and they are not tested, they must stay home and self-isolate for 10 days from the date their symptom(s) started. The child can return to day camp after 10 days if they do not have a fever (without taking medication), and their symptoms have been improving for 24 hours.
- The children and adults in the household that attend a day camp must self-isolate and can return to day camp after 14 days from their last contact with the individual who has symptoms, as long as they do not have symptoms.

Child has symptoms but has an alternative medical diagnosis, and is not tested for COVID-19

- Children who have symptoms, but have been given an alternative diagnosis by a health care provider (**not** related to COVID-19), may return to day camp if their symptoms have been improving for 24 hours.
- A cold or respiratory infection is not considered an alternative diagnosis, and the individual should be tested for COVID-19.
- Household members can return to day camp right away as long as they do not have symptoms.

Child has been in close contact with someone with COVID-19

- A child who has been in close contact with someone with COVID-19 must stay home and self-isolate for 14 days.
- The child should go for testing. Even if the test is negative, they will have to self-isolate for the full 14 days.
- Household members can attend school/child care/day camp/work, as long as they don't have symptoms of COVID-19, but will need to stay home for other non-essential reasons**** until the child who is a close contact completes their period of self-isolation.

Household member has been in close contact with someone with COVID-19

- Any household member who has been in close contact with someone with COVID-19 must stay home and self-isolate for 14 days, and arrange to get tested. Even if the test is negative, they must self-isolate for the full 14 days.
- The child and the other individuals in the household who are not close contacts can attend school/child care/day camp/work, as long as they don't have symptoms of COVID-19, but will need to stay home for other non-essential reasons**** until the household member who is a close contact completes their period of self-isolation.

Child who is fully vaccinated has been in close contact with someone with COVID-19

- If a child is fully vaccinated with 2 doses of COVID-19 vaccine, and it has been more than 2 weeks since the last dose, and the child does not have symptoms, they do not need to self-isolate.
- The child should still go for testing if recommended.
- If the fully vaccinated child develops symptoms, they must self-isolate immediately and get tested.

Household member who is fully vaccinated has been in close contact with someone with COVID-19

- If a household member is fully vaccinated with 2 doses of vaccine, and it has been more than 2 weeks since the last dose, and they do not have symptoms, they do not need to self-isolate.
- The household member should still go for testing if recommended.
- If the fully vaccinated household member develops symptoms, they must self-isolate immediately and get tested. Children and adults in the household who are not fully vaccinated will have to stay home until the household member with symptoms tests negative.

Child has been in close contact with someone with COVID-19 and develops symptoms, but is not tested

- The child must self-isolate for 10 days from when their symptoms started.
- All household members should self-isolate and stay home for 14 days from their last contact with the child who has symptoms, as this is how long it can take for their symptoms to appear.

Household member has symptoms of COVID-19 and is not a close contact of a positive case

- If a household member has symptoms of COVID-19, any children and adults who attend a day camp setting must stay home until COVID-19 is ruled out for the household member with symptoms.
- If the household member with symptoms does not go for testing, the children and adults in the home must self-isolate for 14 days from their last contact with the household member with symptoms.
- If the household member has symptoms of a mild headache, tiredness, sore muscles or joints that occur within 48 hours after getting a COVID-19 vaccine, children and adults in the home can attend a school/child care/day camp/work setting. If symptoms last longer than 48 hours or worsen, the household member is to stay home, self-isolate and get tested. Children and adults in the home will have to stay home until the person with symptoms tests negative.

Household member has symptoms and is a close contact of someone who had COVID-19

- If a household member has symptoms of COVID-19 and is a close contact of someone who has COVID-19, all children and adults in the household must stay home and self-isolate until COVID-19 is ruled out.
- If the household member with symptoms is not tested the rest of the household must self-isolate for 14 days from their last contact with the household member with symptoms.
- If the household member tests negative, children/adults in the home can return to school/child care/day camp/work but will need to stay home for other non-essential reasons**** until the household member completes their self-isolation.

Child has travelled outside of Canada

- If the child has travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days, they must self-isolate for 14 days.
- The other individuals in the household who have not travelled can attend school/child care/day camp/work, as long as they don't have symptoms of COVID-19, but they will need to stay home for other non-essential reasons**** until the person who has travelled completes their period of self-isolation.
- If the child does not have symptoms and is exempt from [federal quarantine requirements](#), the rest of the household can still attend day camp.
- If the child who travelled does not have symptoms and they are fully vaccinated (have received both doses of a two-dose series and it has been more than two weeks since their last dose) prior to their entry into Canada, they may not need to self-isolate. There are some exemptions for people eligible to enter Canada who also meet specific [federal conditions for fully vaccinated travellers](#).

Household member has travelled outside of Canada

- If anyone in the household has travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days, the person who travelled must self-isolate for 14 days.
- The other individuals in the household who have not travelled can attend school/child care/day camp/work, as long as they don't have symptoms of COVID-19, but they will need to stay home for other non-essential reasons**** until the household member who has travelled completes their period of self-isolation

- If the individual does not have symptoms and is exempt from [federal quarantine requirements](#), the rest of the household can still attend day camp.
- If the individual who travelled does not have symptoms and they are fully vaccinated (have received both doses of a two-dose series and it has been more than two weeks since their last dose) prior to their entry into Canada, they may not need to self-isolate. There are some exemptions for people eligible to enter Canada who also meet specific [federal conditions for fully vaccinated travellers](#).

Return to Day Camp Confirmation Form

- Toronto Public Health does not recommend or require medical notes for return to day camp.
- It is the decision of each day camp operator/licensee to decide if they choose to accept a [Back to Child Care/Day Camp/School- Confirmation Form](#).

**** Essential reasons include attending school/child care/day camp/work and essential errands such as obtaining groceries, attending medical appointments or picking up prescriptions.