



COVID-19: Testing and isolation protocols



I am a close contact who develops symptoms

With COVID-19 in the community, it is important for you to know what to do to keep yourself and others safe. This protocol will help you if you have symptoms and are a symptomatic close contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.

Isolate for 7 days from date of contact.



Take a PCR or RAT on day 1.



Test positive

Refer to the 'I have tested positive to COVID-19' protocol.



Test negative

Continue to isolate. If you took a RAT on day 1, take another 24 hours later and continue to isolate if negative. Take another PCR on day 6 or RAT on day 7.



For the next 7 days, wear a mask indoors and outdoors, and don't visit high risk settings (exemptions apply).



Test negative

You can leave your home after day 7 of isolation, providing your day 6 PCR or day 7 RAT was negative and there are no new cases in your household.



Symptoms include:



Fever



Runny nose



Fatigue



Sore/scratchy throat



Dry cough



Shortness of breath