

RETURN TO SCHOOL/WORK FLOWCHART FOLLOWING A COVID-19 RELATED ABSENCE

Individual had close contact with someone who tested positive or is suspected of having covid-19

May return after 14-day quarantine period from date of last contact with individual

Individual tested positive or is suspected of having covid-19 **and had symptoms**

Symptom-Based Strategy

May return after: (1) at least 10 days have passed since symptom onset; **and** (2) At least 72 hours since resolution of fever **and** improvement of respiratory symptoms.

Individual tested positive for covid-19 **but had no symptoms**

Time-Based Strategy

May return after at least 10 days have passed since date of first positive covid-19 test

Individual exhibits one or more symptoms of covid-19, but is not suspected of having covid-19

Some Examples

Seasonal Allergies, Ear Infection, Seasonal Flu, Strep Throat, Migraine, Etc.

May be possible to return in fewer days than 10 days after onset of symptoms and 72 hours fever free

Recommend:
Evidence of alternative reason for symptoms and/or release to return to school or Work.

Individual returns from international travel

May return after 14 day quarantine from date of return from trip

For all of the above: return based on release from health care provider would also apply.

Follow any updated guidance from CDC, IDPH or Local Health Department.

