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## What to do if you test POSITIVE for Covid-19:

A positive COVID-19 test means the virus was detected and **you need to isolate**.

- Isolate immediately.
- Take precautions including wearing a mask to protect others from getting infected.
- Tell the people that you had recent contact with that they may have been exposed.
- Contact your healthcare provider for recommendations and possible treatment.

If you test positive for COVID-19, stay home for at least 5 days and isolate from others in your home.

- Day 0 first day of symptoms OR day the positive test was taken, whichever date is earlier.
- Days 1-4 continue to isolate.
- Day 5 last day of isolation if asymptomatic or symptoms are improving including no fever without the use of fever reducing medications.
- Day 6 may leave isolation and return to work or school if you are able to wear a mask at all times when around other people, including in your household, through day 10.

After you have ended isolation, if your COVID-19 symptoms recur or worsen, restart your isolation at day 0 and contact your primary care provider.

## **Possible symptoms:**

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty Breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches

- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell

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- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

## Additional information:

www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-isolation-and-exposure-guidance-for-children-andstaff-in-child-care-k-12-out-of-school-time-ost-and-recreational-campprogram-settings

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