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Steps to take if you knowingly have close contact with anyone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 or if you test positive for COVID-19.

- 1. Go to the online symptom self-check: https://covid19.columbia.edu/content/symptom-selfchecking and record the close contact or positive COVID-19 test.
- 2. Follow these directions:
 - **Do not** come to work,
 - Notify your supervisor, human resources, or departmental administrator that you are not coming to work,
 - Contact your health care provider for health advice including advice regarding COVID-19 testing, and
 - Follow your health care **provider's guidance** regarding return to work.
- 3. If you have had close or proximate contact with a person with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 for 10 minutes or more AND you are not experiencing COVID-19 related symptoms AND you do not have a positive test:
 - You will be required to quarantine by staying at home, separating yourself from others, and monitoring your health for symptoms.
 - Upon completing 14 days of quarantine, you may return to work (unless you are a clinical provider; please follow guidance specific for healthcare workers).
 - **COVID-19 testing** is strongly recommended.
- 4. If you test **positive for COVID-19**:
 - You will be required to isolate. Even in your home, take measures to separate yourself from others by staying in a specific "sick room" or area and using a separate bathroom (if available).
 - Follow quidance from your health care provider on treatment and isolation recommendations.
 - Isolation can end after 10 days from the onset of symptoms or 10 days after the first positive test if you remain asymptomatic, and at least 3 days without fever with improvement of respiratory symptoms.
 - You may return to work after the last day of isolation.
- 5. Facilities should be contacted to conduct cleaning and disinfection of the space occupied by any individual who tests positive (is in isolation) for COVID-19. The workstations and/or shared office spaces of persons who are in quarantine do not need additional cleaning or disinfecting, other than what is included in the regular cleaning schedule by Facilities.
- 6. Who handles **return to work** issues in general?
 - For faculty and staff at CUIMC engaged in patient care who are credentialed at NYP and/or work in the Columbia Faculty Practice Organization: Work Force Health and Safety (646)317-1999.
 - For faculty and staff at CUIMC not engaged in patient care: CUIMC or School Human Resources 212-305-HELP, Option 4.
 - For faculty and staff at Morningside, Manhattanville, and other campuses: Columbia Human Resources (212) 851-0617 or School HR.



Where can I get more information?

Information can be found on the COVID-19 Resource Guide for the Columbia Community https://covid19.columbia.edu/.