

SCHN Staff COVID-19 Contact Matrix

This information relates to SCHN Staff only and is based on NSW Health information
Requirements for high risk settings are different to those for the community

<p>Staff member is unwell and has COVID-19, flu or respiratory symptoms</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not attend work, even if you have had a negative Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) • Have a PCR or RAT (preferably a PCR) • Record test result via SCHN staff COVID-19 testing and close contact form. Advise your manager • If the test is negative, only return to work once symptoms have resolved for 24 hours • Have a RAT at the start of your first day at work
<p>Staff member tests positive for COVID - isolate for 7 days as per Public Health order - the earliest you can return to work is day 8</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a PCR to confirm your result. Isolate for 7 days • Day 0: Notify your manager and complete SCHN staff COVID-19 testing and close contact form. Day 0 is the day the test was taken • Day 7: If you have no symptoms or symptoms have resolved for at least 24 hours, have a RAT. Record results in SCHN staff COVID-19 testing and close contact form Contact your manager to conduct a risk assessment regarding return to work on day 8, if you work with significantly immunocompromised patients <u>If RAT is negative:</u> return to work on day 8 if you do not have symptoms and approved by your manager. Wear a P2/N95 until day 10 <u>If RAT is positive or not done:</u> return to work on day 10, if symptoms have resolved for at least 24 hours <u>If symptoms are continuing (e.g. fever, headaches):</u> seek advice from GP and notify your manager. Return to work may be delayed • Days 10-13: <u>If symptoms have resolved for at least 24 hours:</u> return to work. Testing not required unless advised by GP or other health provider • Day 14: <u>If symptoms are continuing or you are immunosuppressed:</u> contact Infection Prevention and Control/Infectious Diseases for advice on return to work date <p><u>On your return to work from day 11:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wear a mask at all times, add eye protection in clinical areas • You are not considered to be a close contact and do not need to have any surveillance RATs for 28 days after deisolation. Have a PCR if you develop new symptoms https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Pages/advice-for-confirmed.aspx <p>Managers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply the Health Care Worker COVID-19 exposure risk assessment matrix to assess the risk to staff members who worked with the positive person during the 48 hour period before their positive result and any patient interactions with the positive person, ensuring staff confidentiality is maintained. Notify Infection Prevention and Control of the risk assessment outcomes. • Assess the risk of staff returning to work from day 8 who work with immunocompromised pts
<p>Staff member is a close contact or High Risk exposure eg: - lives with someone who has COVID-19 - spent a long time with or interacted closely with someone who has COVID-19 while not wearing a mask eg: stayed overnight, indoor gathering at a residence, drove a long distance or cared for children who are now positive - includes staff deisolated from COVID-19 >28 days ago</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to work for 7 days • Notify your manager and complete the SCHN staff COVID-19 testing and close contact form • Have a RAT or PCR as soon as possible and on day 6. Record your result via the SCHN staff COVID-19 testing and close contact form • PCR testing is recommended if you develop symptoms • Return to work on day 8 if your RAT/PCR on day 6 is negative and you do not have symptoms • You do not need to remain off work if another person in your household tests positive during the 7 day period or in the 14 days after • If another person in your household tests COVID positive <u>more than 14 days</u> after the 7 day period, you will need to remain off work <p><u>On your return to work, adhere to the following until day 15:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a daily RAT at work. If the result is positive, have a PCR test before going home • Have a PCR day 2 after exposure. You can continue to work while results are pending • Monitor closely for symptoms. Do not come to work if you develop symptoms • Do not eat meals with colleagues or participate in workplace gatherings where masks are likely to be removed (strict requirement) • Practice regular hand hygiene, maintain physical distancing where possible • Wear eye protection in clinical areas • Masks to be worn at all times https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/management/people-exposed-to-covid

<p>Staff member is a close contact or High Risk exposure - seeking approval to return to work early to maintain service</p>	<p>Where there is a <u>critical service need</u> to maintain a service, staff may be approved to return to work early</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval from the staff member’s line manager is required • Affected staff must be <u>symptom free</u> and must have a negative RAT result • Managers to email details of the decision to Infection Prevention and Control for your site *SCH *CHW <p><u>Staff permitted to return to work early must adhere to the following until day 15:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a daily RAT at work. If the result is positive, have a PCR test • Have a PCR test on days 2 and 6 after exposure. You can continue to work while the results are pending • Monitor closely for symptoms. Do not come to work if you develop symptoms • If you develop symptoms while at work, have a PCR test and go home. Do not return to work until you have a negative PCR result and symptoms have resolved for 24 hours • Do not eat meals with colleagues or participate in workplace gatherings where masks are likely to be removed (strict requirement) • Practice regular hand hygiene, maintain physical distancing where possible • Wear eye protection in clinical areas • Masks to be worn at all times: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For 7 days after exposure: P2/N95 mask* ○ Days 8-15: surgical mask <p>*Fit checking each time you put on a P2/N95 mask is the most important step</p>
<p>Staff member has returned from overseas</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a daily RAT at work • If the result is positive, have a PCR test • Monitor closely for symptoms. If you develop symptoms, do not come to work. Do not return to work until you have a negative PCR result and symptoms have resolved for 24 hours • Wear a mask at all times, add eye protection in clinical areas • Practice regular hand hygiene, maintain physical distancing where possible <p>https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/management/people-exposed-to-covid</p>
<p>Staff members are exposed at work</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manager to apply the Health Care Worker COVID-19 exposure risk assessment matrix to assess the risk to the staff members who had interactions with a positive patient or worked with a staff member who tested positive, during the 48 hour period before their positive result. Notify Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) of the risk assessment outcomes. Do not send staff home unless advised by IPC. • If the exposed staff members are assessed as Moderate or High Risk, discuss with Infection Prevention and Control to confirm the risk assessment • Staff determined to be High Risk are to complete the SCHN staff COVID-19 testing and close contact form and proceed as per the ‘close contact’ advice above
<p>Staff household member: - has symptoms or is unwell; or - is a close contact; or - is a contact at a social event; or - has returned from overseas</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notify your manager • If possible, try to isolate from the household member • If the household member has symptoms, they need a RAT or PCR • If they have a negative RAT/PCR; you can work, if you are well and have a negative RAT • If they test positive on a RAT/PCR; you are a deemed close contact (see advice above) <p><u>You may continue working, adhering to the following until day 15:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a daily RAT • If the result is positive, have a PCR test before going home • Monitor closely for symptoms. Do not come to work if you develop symptoms • Wear a mask at all times, add eye protection in clinical areas • Do not eat meals with colleagues • Practice regular hand hygiene, maintain physical distancing where possible <p>https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/management/people-exposed-to-covid</p>