



EXCLUSION SUMMARY

for Child Care and Early Education Operations During COVID-19

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If anyone in the child care facility has had illness with fever, unusual cough , new loss of taste or smell or shortness of breath in the last 10 days:	If anyone in the child care facility has been exposed to someone with a current presumptive case or positive COVID-19 case:	If anyone in the child care facility develops symptoms listed in column 1 or learns they have been exposed to a positive or presumptive case while at the facility:	If anyone in the child care facility has a household member with symptoms of COVID-19 who is not a presumptive case or confirmed case:	Remember to check for the normal (non-COVID) childhood illnesses:
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Person should be sent home. If person tests positive or does not get tested, they must stay away from the facility for 10 days after onset of symptoms and 24 hours after both **fever-free** and cough resolves.

The person must be excluded from care if they were exposed to a **presumptive case** or positive COVID-19 case during the **infectious period**.

Separate the person until they can leave the facility and send home as soon as possible.

Carefully monitor the person for symptoms. Encourage the ill household member to get tested.

Diarrhea, vomiting, headache with a stiff neck, "pink eye," rash, etc.

Child may return to care after 24 hours symptom-free.



If person tests negative for COVID-19, they may return 24 hours after resolution of cough and are **fever-free**.

Exposed person must **quarantine** for 14 days. Start counting from the last time the person had contact with a **presumptive case** or confirmed case while the case was in the **infectious period**. For household contacts, quarantine starts the day after the infectious period ends.

If the only symptom was a **fever** and a medical professional advised the person can return to care, they may do so if they have been **fever-free** for 24 hours. A medical professional must provide documented advice.

Important Definitions

Unusual cough means out of the ordinary for this person – e.g., not usual asthma or allergies.

Fever means 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or more.

Fever-free means a temperature less than 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit without the use of fever-reducing medication.

Exposure means close contact with a COVID-19 case (less than six feet) for longer than 15 minutes in a 24-hour period.

Presumptive case means a person who was exposed to a positive COVID-19 case and has developed symptoms.

The **infectious period** is two days before to 10 days after the person with COVID-19 first becomes symptomatic. If the COVID-19 case doesn't have symptoms, infectious period is 2 days before the day the test was taken (not the day they got their test result) to 10 days after.

Quarantine means you stay away from other people when you may become sick, even if you have no symptoms. Quarantine should last 14 days--consult your local public health authority for guidance.

Vaccinated staff are not required to quarantine if **exposed** to a confirmed or presumptive COVID-19 case. If symptoms develop, exclude and follow directions in column one.

Vaccinated staff must be excluded if experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, and follow directions in column one.

Children cannot be denied care because of the fear of transmission of COVID-19:

In addition to Oregon laws prohibiting discrimination, a provider cannot refuse to enroll a child in the program based on a belief that the child is more susceptible to contracting COVID-19 due to the child's or parent's occupation, race, ethnicity, geographic location, disability, school attendance, or pre-existing health condition.

For more information, visit oregonearlylearning.com/COVID-19-Resources.

Providers can also submit questions by emailing ProviderContact@state.or.us.