Exposure = contact in a healthcare setting with a COVID-19 positive person (source) within 6 feet for ≥15 minutes and all community exposures (see page 2).

Vendors, contractors and visitors may also be involved in an exposure.

Note: Contractors should immediately contact their employer, as well as notify their GW contact and provide ongoing information on response to exposure.

For questions or advice, contact your Occupation or Employee Health, or send a TigerConnect message to “MFA COVID-19 Consult”
GW guidance adheres to and summarizes DC Health requirements. For additional details, please reference the full DC Health guidance document:

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**HCP** = Healthcare personnel.

**Facemask** = Medical facemask worn at all times to include break-times with co-workers. We recommend taking breaks outside or staggering eating for safety.

**Respirator** = N95 mask, or PAPR or equivalent

**Eye protection** = HCP must wear eye protection (i.e. goggles or face shields) when (1) close proximity to patient’s head/neck region for >5 minutes is expected, (2) exposure to secretions or aerosolization is expected, or (3) patient is COVID-19+ or under investigation (including performing COVID-19 testing).

**Self-monitoring** = Checking temperature twice daily, monitoring for respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, loss of taste/smell). Report symptoms on the GW online tracking system.

**If Vaccinated and boosted:** No work restrictions unless during a DOH declared outbreak

Test on day 2 and day 5-7 after exposure. If positive, then follow isolation guidelines. If recently COVID positive since Dec 15, 2021, testing is not required.

Self-monitor for fever and symptoms for 14 days. If they develop get tested and notify occupational health

**If not vaccinated or if not boosted:**

Restricted from work for 7 days, may return if day 6 or 7 covid test is negative

If no test, restrict from work for 10 days

Self-monitor for fever and symptoms for 14 days. If they develop get tested and notify occupational health

**HCP who had prolonged (≥15 minutes) close (within 6 feet) contact with a patient, visitor, or HCP with confirmed COVID-19**

Infected person is masked or wearing cloth face covering but employee is NOT wearing a mask plus eye protection

OR

Infected person is unmasked and employee NOT wearing respirator (N95) plus eye protection

**HCP not wearing all recommended PPE (i.e., gown, gloves, eye protection, respirator) while performing an aerosol-generating procedure within 6 feet for any duration of time**

**HCP with a community exposure**

If continuous household exposure contact OH for guidance

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When cleared for return to work:
- Wear facemask at all times
- Strict adherence to hand hygiene, respiratory hygiene
- Self-monitor for symptoms and seek reevaluation for any new or worsening symptoms


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