

What should I do if my employee tests positive?



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Immediate Response.

- Clean and disinfect the workplace, focusing on high-touch surfaces and around the employee's workstation.
- In most cases, closing your facility is not necessary, provided you can maintain staffing needs while following guidance.

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Be ready to work with Maine CDC to gather important information.

- Maine CDC investigators will reach out if your employee worked during their infectious period¹ They will collect information on:
 - The last date your employee worked.
 - A list of people who may have had close contact² with your employee.
- Maine CDC enrollers will reach out to close contacts with recommendations for quarantine and testing.

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Prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the workplace.

- Inform fellow employees of their possible exposure while maintaining confidentiality.
- Encourage employees to wear cloth face coverings.
- Encourage employees to self-screen for symptoms daily.

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Support employees who must stay home from work for quarantine or isolation.

- This may include employees who must stay home to care for sick family members.
- Share resources on stress and mental health and programs or benefits that may be available.
- Provide options for telework if possible.

For more information and resources, visit: www.maine.gov/dhhs/coronavirus

1: The infectious period starts up to 2 days prior to symptom onset until symptoms are resolved.

2: A close contact is someone who has been within 6 feet of a COVID-19 case for 15 minutes or more.