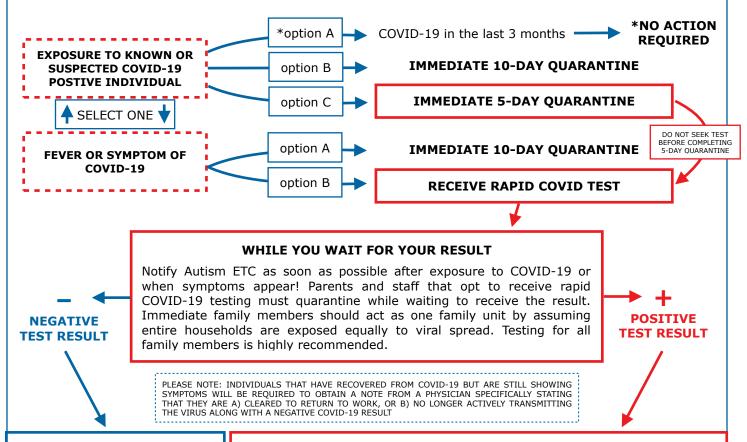


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Re: *JANUARY Centers for Disease Control Quarantine Guidance

Dear parents and colleagues:

The Centers for Disease Control has updated their guidance to allow quarantine exceptions related to known exposures to COVID-19. As of today, Autism ETC will no longer require further action following an exposure **IF** an individual has had the COVID-19 illness **within the previous 3 months**, has recovered, and remains without COVID-19 symptoms. See our latest guidance below:



Autism ETC's normal illness policy is in effect: each individual must be fever-free (less than 100.4°F) and symptom-free for a minimum of 24 hours before returning to the clinic. For example: a temperature is taken at 7am on a Tuesday and is free of fever. The individual may return to the clinic at 8am on Wednesday.

Each COVID-19 positive individual should immediately isolate and cooperate with their local Health Department to determine a care plan before returning to the clinic. Persons with a positive test result must wait a minimum of 10 days before returning to the clinic or present a letter from their Heath Department stating they have been cleared of COVID-19. After receiving confirmation of a positive case, Autism ETC will immediately establish the exposure threat through contact tracing. All staff and clients with first-hand exposure will be sent home and directed to follow these steps regardless of the presence of fever or symptoms. All exposed persons must receive negative COVID-19 rapid testing or complete a 10-day quarantine before returning to the clinic.

Thank you for your cooperation as we seek to stop the spread of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) in our communities. Latest guidance can be found on our website (autismetc.com/covid-19). We wish you health and safety.

