

COVID-19 Screening Classifications and Definitions for People Experiencing Homelessness

The following chart and definitions are for reference by homeless assistance and medical providers responsible for screening and triaging individuals who may be confirmed or suspected of having COVID-19. The information included here is not medical advice and is subject to change based on CDC, local public health, or other government guidance and directive.

Screening Classification	Definition	Intervention
COVID-19 Confirmed or Symptomatic, Severe Respiratory Distress	Individual with positive COVID test within prior 14 days or currently symptomatic and experiencing severe related symptoms and medical distress.	9-1-1 and/or appropriate medical facility <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providers use full PPE Mask individual
COVID-19 Confirmed or Symptomatic, <u>Not Appropriate</u> for SIQ options	Individual with positive COVID test within prior 14 days (with or without symptoms), OR with mild-to-moderate COVID symptoms within past 24 hours not due to other underlying conditions, AND who <u>has</u> significant health and/or ADL needs that cannot be met by existing SIQ options.	Isolation at appropriate medical facility <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providers use full PPE Mask individual Monitor for more severe symptoms
COVID-19 Confirmed or Symptomatic, <u>Appropriate</u> for SIQ options	Individual with positive COVID test within prior 14 days (with or without symptoms) OR with mild-to-moderate COVID symptoms within past 24 hours not due other underlying conditions, AND who <u>does not have</u> significant health and/or ADL needs that cannot be met by existing SIQ options.	Isolation at SIQ facility, if available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providers use full PPE Mask individual Monitor for more severe symptoms
COVID-19 Exposed, Presumed Positive, <u>Not Appropriate</u> for SIQ options	Individual without mild-to-moderate respiratory symptoms in the last 72 hours who had close contact with someone confirmed for COVID-19 in the past 14 days, AND who <u>has</u> significant health and/or ADL needs that cannot be met by existing SIQ options.	Quarantine at appropriate medical facility <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providers use basic PPE (mask, face shield, gloves) Mask individual Monitor for more severe symptoms
COVID-19 Exposed, Presumed Positive, <u>Appropriate</u> for SIQ options	Individual without mild-to-moderate respiratory symptoms in the last 72 hours who had close contact with someone confirmed for COVID-19 in the past 14 days, AND who <u>does not have</u> significant health and/or ADL needs that cannot be met by existing SIQ options.	Quarantine at SIQ facility, if available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providers use basic PPE (mask, face shield, gloves) Mask individual Monitor for more severe symptoms
COVID-19 Presumed Negative, Low Risk and/or Vulnerability	Individual not confirmed COVID-19 and without mild-to-moderate respiratory symptoms in the last 72 hours; may have had incidental, non-close contact with someone confirmed for COVID-19 in the past 14 days. Individual <u>does not</u> have high risk or vulnerability of severe illness from COVID-19.	Quasi-Quarantine as much as possible at existing shelter or current location. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providers use basic PPE (mask, face shield, gloves) Mask individual Monitor for more severe symptoms
COVID-19 Presumed Negative, At-Risk or Vulnerable	Individual not confirmed COVID-19 and without mild-to-moderate respiratory symptoms in the last 72 hours; may have had incidental, non-close contact with someone confirmed for COVID-19 in the past 14 days. Individual <u>has</u> high risk or vulnerability of severe illness from COVID-19.	Quasi-Quarantine as much as possible at existing shelter or current location. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providers use basic PPE (mask, face shield, gloves) Mask individual Monitor for more severe symptoms

COVID-19 Symptoms

- Mild-to-moderate symptoms:
 - Fever $\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$
 - New cough developed in last 14 days
 - Shortness of breath
- Additional non-severe symptoms (not all inclusive):
 - Unexplained muscle aches
 - Sore throat
 - Runny nose
 - Nasal congestion
 - Sneezing
- Severe respiratory distress symptoms requiring immediate medical attention (not all inclusive):
 - Trouble breathing
 - Persistent pain or pressure in the chest
 - New confusion or inability to arouse
 - Bluish lips or face
 - Extreme fatigue

Close Contact (“Exposure”) includes:

- Living in the same household as a sick person with COVID-19
- Caring for a sick person with COVID-19
- Being within 6 feet of a sick person with COVID-19 for about 10 minutes
- Being in direct contact with secretions from a sick person with COVID-19 (e.g., being coughed on, kissing, sharing utensils, etc.)

High Risk/Vulnerability of Severe Illness from COVID-19 include individuals who:

- Are over 60 years of age
- Have underlying medical conditions
- Are pregnant

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