

Positive COVID-19 Test Results Guidelines

Developed by the Health and Safety Sub-Group of the
Return to Campus Task Force (9/1/2020)

Faculty, Staff, and/or Students who are or have been in any open building on either or both the Journal Square and/or North Hudson Campus, and have tested positive for COVID 19, shall follow these guidelines.

Who to notify of a positive test result:

Please follow the directions below to ensure proper confidentiality for students and staff.

Students who test positive should contact Associate Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. David Clark (dclark@hccc.edu) and VP for Student Affairs/Co-Chair of the Return to Campus Task Force, Lisa Dougherty (ldougherty@hccc.edu). David and/or Lisa will contact the student with further instructions and inform others as needed.

Faculty and staff who test positive should contact VP for Human Resources, Anna Krupitskiy (akrupitskiy@hccc.edu) and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs/Co-Chair of the Return to Campus Task force, Heather DeVries (hdevries@hccc.edu). Anna and/or Heather will contact the faculty/staff member with further instructions and inform others as needed.

What is an exposure?

According to the CDC, an exposure is close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes) with someone with confirmed COVID-19.

Protocol for positive cases:

1. One (1) positive case on campus:

- a. Participants shall be informed that their class or lab/clinical group will be transitioned into a remote modality. All those with whom the positive person has had close contact exposure of more than 15 minutes, and closer than 6 feet, should be quarantined for 14 days, and, as per CDC guidelines, should get tested.
- b. If someone, other than in a classroom, tests positive for COVID 19, then all those with whom the positive person has had close contact exposure of more than 15 minutes and closer than 6 feet, should be quarantined for 14 days, and, as per CDC guidelines, get tested.
- c. After the 14-day quarantine period, individuals without signs or symptoms of COVID 19, may return to campus.

- d. The individual who tested positive is **required** to obtain medical clearance prior to returning to campus. This medical clearance may include a COVID test with negative results.
2. **Two (2) or more positive cases** in different classes (or departments) in the same building):
 - a. The affected classes and services shall be transitioned to a remote modality and all participants will be **required** to quarantine for a period of 14 days.
 - b. Deep cleaning of the building shall be performed 24 hours after positive result has been reported, as per CDC guidelines.
 - c. Those who tested positive shall not return to campus without medical clearance (which can also include a negative test result).

Please Note: These guidelines are subject to change in accordance with the most up-to-date CDC guidance. All cases will be reviewed and assessed by members of the Health and Safety Sub Group of the Return to Campus Task Force to ensure proper compliance.