

KEY UPDATES

Guidance

Covid-19: management of staff and exposed patients or residents in health and social care settings

TESTING

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- Staff are no longer required to have a follow-up PCR test. If a staff member receives a positive LFD or PCR test result, they must stay at home and self-isolate immediately.
 - Managers can undertake a risk assessment of staff who test positive between 10 and 14 days and who do not have a high temperature, with a view to them returning to work depending on the work environment.
 - Asymptomatic staff, patients and residents who do not have severe immunosuppression, and who have previously tested positive for COVID-19 by LFD or PCR test should be exempt from routine testing by PCR test within 90 days from their initial illness onset or test date.
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SELF-ISOLATION

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- Staff may be able to end their self-isolation period before the end of 10 days.
 - The isolation period includes the day the symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they do not have symptoms), also described as Day 0.
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OUTBREAKS

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- UKHSA have moved Omicron outbreak management in care home in line with that of Delta/Alpha. All staff and residents should be tested with PCR 14 days after the last resident or staff had a positive test result or showed coronavirus-like symptoms. Following the results, and a risk assessment, an agreement can be made for restrictions to be stood down.
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TRAVEL

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- Health and Social Care Staff entering from any country not on the red list are no longer required to take a daily LFD test until day 10 after return from travel.
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