OUTBREAK!

Testing, testing

Any member of staff who has symptoms

- Test, isolate awaiting results.
- Use Healthcare worker option at https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronaviruscovid-19-getting-tested
- If Negative- return to work
- If Positive
- Stay at home at least 7 days or until symptoms resolve
- T&T give social contacts and employer details.



Household member has symptoms

Household member accesses testing as normal.

- Two routes:
- Employee can refer themself as essential worker
- Employer can refer them if they have log-in, see https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested or email portalservicedesk@dhsc.gov.uk
- Test and isolate until results known
- If positive isolate for 14 days (unless symptoms develop)
- If negative **may** return to work, depends on test results household member.

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Asymptomatic

If the employee is asymptomatic but has a positive test

 Must self-isolate for 14 days OR 7 days from symptoms developing.

Contacts

If employee is contacted by T&T regarding **social** contact

 Must self-isolate for number of days advised OR 7 days from symptoms developing.

If employee has **household member** told to isolate by T&T

- Employee does not need to isolate unless symptoms develop
- Should minimise contact with household member

Employers note

- Make sure all staff, locums etc know that they need to give employer details to test and trace, not the names of who they work with.
- Daily/per shift check in: "Do you have any symptoms, are you aware of being in close contact with anyone who has symptoms or who has tested positive, have you had a test and are waiting for results?"
- "Pause" Covid-19 app (if installed) while at work
- If contacted by Test and Trace answer honestly but challenge if decision seems unreasonable-
 - Team leader
 - PHE health protection team 0300 303 8537 option 1
 - Try us!

PPE

- Should be ordered through the portal
- Emails sent to shared mailbox OR nhse-ppe.co.uk/customer
- Use according to PHE SOP
- Hand hygiene/hand sanitiser
- FRSM mask at all times social distance can't be maintained
 - SOP correct use- don, doff, nose
 - Breaks
 - Travel
- Gloves and Aprons- currently only for cleaning/decontaminating
- Face shields not effective on their own

And if you do have an outbreak

- T&T will notify any patients if necessary
- Business continuity planning
 - Closed door working may be requested (don't take the you-know-what)
 - Temporary closure/emergency closure
 - Talk to your PC network/GP practices/LPC
 - Do all staff know what to do (contractor/employer might be the sick one)
- Staff isolating but not unwell can
 - Do stop smoking consultations and other phone consultations
 - Do their PQS online training
- Staff wellbeing
 - https://people.nhs.uk/help/