

Mercer University COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

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INDIVIDUAL TESTS POSITIVE: ISOLATE AS DIRECTED BY MERCER MEDICINE

- If **ASYMPTOMATIC**, remain in isolation until:

Ten days after positive test if symptoms have not developed,

or

Tests negative: two negative tests at least 24 hours apart.

- If **SYMPTOMATIC**, remain in isolation until:

At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared,

and

At least 3 days (72 hours) without fever and with improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath)

or

Tests negative: two negative tests at least 24 hours apart, and resolution of fever without medication for fever, and with improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath).

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INDIVIDUAL HAS SYMPTOMS BUT HAS NOT BEEN TESTED

- Should be promptly tested.
- Should be isolated as directed by Mercer Medicine pending outcome of test.

FOR TESTING:

Call Mercer Medicine at (478) 301-4111 or the Student Health Center 24/7 hotline at (478) 301-7425 for a testing appointment.

Specimen collection needs to be completed by Noon for return of report within one business day. Specimen can be collected after Noon, but report may take up to two business days.

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INDIVIDUAL HAS SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO INFECTED INDIVIDUAL (WITHIN SIX FEET FOR 15 OR MORE MINUTES) FROM 2 DAYS PRIOR TO ONSET OF SYMPTOMS UNTIL ISOLATED

- Should wear masks whenever in presence of others.
- Should physically distance from others. Six feet is recommended where feasible.
- Should be actively self-monitoring for symptoms.
- Should be tested if so desired or, if in judgment of physician, exposure so significant as to warrant testing.
- Pending outcome of test, should mask, distance, and monitor.

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