

LESSONS LEARNED

10 This will get easier and you are all doing great!



9 Employees must role model:

- Stay home when sick
- Stay home when someone in their family is sick
- Wear a mask

8 Close contact is a vital concept: 15 minutes – 6 feet.
When answering questions, first establish if close contact occurred.



7 The definitions of isolation and quarantine matter:

- **Isolation** separates sick people with a contagious disease from people who are not sick
- **Quarantine** separates and restricts the movement of people who were exposed to a contagious disease to see if they become sick.

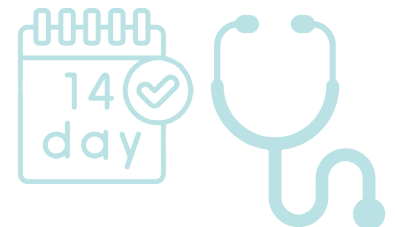
The person with symptoms is isolated and the close contacts are quarantined.

6 People “get-out” of quarantine when one of these happens:

- 14 days has passed;
- the symptomatic person tests negative for COVID-19; or
- the doctor of the symptomatic person provides an alternative diagnosis.

5 Having one diagnosis does not preclude you from having another.

Example: Someone with asthma can still have COVID-19!



4 The better your staff are at staying 6 feet apart from each other, the less staff that may have to be sent home if one of your staff members is symptomatic.

3 The Response to a **Laboratory Confirmed Case of COVID-19 and Persons with COVID-19-like Illness in Schools**, published by the Maryland Department of Health is our guiding document.

2 Your community needs you providing calm, and providing support and resources.



1 Nurses are ultimately responsible for COVID-19 and health related decision making.