

Testing & Clearance Guidance for Workplaces (Non-Health Care Settings)

Who can get tested for COVID-19?

1. People with at least one symptom of COVID-19.
2. People who are concerned they have been exposed to COVID-19.
3. People who are at risk of exposure to COVID-19 through their employment.
4. People who are planning to make an indoor visit to someone in long-term care.

When can employees return to work after testing positive for COVID-19?

- Employees who test positive for COVID-19 should follow the recommendations they are given from Public Health. They will be required to remain in isolation until these three conditions are met:
 - They have isolated for 14 days after symptoms started **AND**
 - They no longer have a fever **AND**
 - Their symptoms have been improving for at least 72hrs
- Employees **do not need to be retested** to return to work safely.
- Public health is unable to provide return to work clearance letters for each positive case.

Can a workplace require employees to get tested before starting or returning to work?

Workplaces should follow the guidance described above and should not require employees to have pre-placement or clearance testing done.

Please review our website for more information: wdgpublichealth.ca