

**Cook Children's Health Care System Employee COVID-19 Exposures/Work Restrictions Guidance**

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<b>Epidemiologic risk factors</b>	<b>Exposure category</b>	<b>Recommended Monitoring for COVID-19 (until 14 days after last potential exposure)</b>	<b>Work Restrictions for Asymptomatic HCP</b>
<b>Prolonged close contact with a patient with COVID-19 (beginning 48 hours before symptom onset) who was wearing a cloth face covering or facemask (i.e., source control)</b>			
HCP PPE: None	Medium	Active	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
HCP PPE: Not wearing a facemask or respirator	Medium	Active	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
HCP PPE: Not wearing eye protection	Low	Self with delegated supervision	None
HCP PPE: Not wearing gown or gloves <sup>a</sup>	Low	Self with delegated supervision	None
HCP PPE: Wearing all recommended PPE (except wearing a facemask instead of a respirator)	Low	Self with delegated supervision	None
<b>Prolonged close contact with a patient with COVID-19 (beginning 48 hours before symptom onset) who was not wearing a cloth face covering or facemask (i.e., no source control)</b>			
HCP PPE: None	High	Active	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
HCP PPE: Not wearing a facemask or respirator	High	Active	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
HCP PPE: Not wearing eye protection <sup>b</sup>	Medium	Active	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
HCP PPE: Not wearing gown or gloves <sup>a,b</sup>	Low	Self with delegated supervision	None
HCP PPE: Wearing all recommended PPE (except wearing a facemask instead of a respirator) <sup>a</sup>	Low	Self with delegated supervision	None

**Prolonged Close Contact** is defined as

- a) Being within 6 feet of a person with COVID-19 for a period of 15+ minutes (such as caring for or visiting the patient, or sitting within 6 feet of the patients in a healthcare waiting area or room); or
- b) Having unprotected direct contact with infectious secretions or excretions of the patients (such as being coughed on, touching used tissues with bare hands, rolling/bathing a patient).

**Aerosolizing procedures on confirmed or suspected COVID positive patient.** Include intubation/initiation of ventilation, extubation, any break in the circuit of ventilation, noninvasive devices (BIPAP, CPAP, and VPAP), high flow oxygen, hand held nebulizers, aerosol trach collars, specimen collection.

***HCW with no direct patient contact or no prolonged contact and no entry into active patient management areas who adhere to routine safety precautions do not have a risk of exposure to COVID-19 (i.e., they have no identifiable risk.)***

