

Managing suspected and confirmed COVID-19 cases in Childcare and Educational Settings

SUSPECTED case in child or staff member

If the child is at school/nursery – isolate away from others until they can be picked up. Siblings should go home as well if at school/setting.

If a staff member – they should avoid all contact and go home immediately.

You do not need to send the 'bubble' of the child/staff home unless they live in the same household.

Ensure child/staff member isolates at home for **10 days** from symptom onset and receives a test.

The rest of their household must isolate for **14 days** and should only get tested if they develop symptoms themselves. **This includes live-in siblings.**

All children/staff who have been in contact with the symptomatic person, should wash their hands for 20 seconds. Contact points/surfaces they came into contact with should be thoroughly disinfected/cleaned.

Testing can be booked online at nhs.uk/coronavirus or by calling 119.

NEGATIVE

Child/staff can return immediately once they are well enough.

Household contacts can stop self-isolating immediately

POSITIVE

Follow the confirmed case process on the right and continue to self-isolate for 10 days from symptom onset.

CONFIRMED case in child or staff member

1. Inform the Department for Education helpline on 0800 046 8687 open 8am – 6pm weekdays & 10am – 4pm weekends

2. Inform Haringey Public Health team: PublicHealth@Haringey.gov.uk

DfE will carry out a risk assessment and identify next steps.

Ensure child/staff member isolates at home for **10 days** from symptom onset.

Their household must isolate for **14 days**. This includes live-in siblings.

'Bubble' of children/staff and 'close contacts'* must self isolate for **14 days**.

* Close contacts are: Having been in 2 metre contact for 15 minutes or longer, or had face-to-face contact for 1 min or longer with the person.

Households with 'close contacts' do not need to self-isolate unless the 'close contact' experiences symptoms themselves. Please refer to government guidance [here](#).

Advise anyone with symptoms to get tested at nhs.uk/coronavirus or call 119.

The DfE will provide support with risk assessment, communications and follow-up. Please copy Haringey Public Health team into any correspondence with the DfE. For further information see full government guidance [here](#).