

# COVID-19 CASE REPORTING AND OUTBREAK RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CHILD CARE CENTERS & HOMES

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## CASE REPORTING & RESPONSE

All licensed child care centers and homes are required to notify DHS when staff or children have a positive viral COVID-19 test.

- ▶ Child care centers and homes should notify their DHS licensing consultant or home compliance staff within the same business day.

**All close contacts within the child care center or home (including staff and children) should be identified.**

**CLOSE CONTACT** being within 6 feet of the person who tested positive for COVID-19 for more than 15 minutes.



Close contacts should be instructed to self-quarantine for 14 days after last exposure to confirmed case.



Close contacts or other interested persons should pursue COVID-19 testing through healthcare provider or Test Iowa.



If close contact received COVID-19 test and tests negative, they still must continue self-quarantine for 14 days.

**IF THERE ARE POSITIVE COVID-19 TESTS** in 1-2 more staff or children that live in separate households.

## Communication Tree:



Child care provider contacts DHS compliance staff or licensing consultant.



DHS staff collaborates with Child Care Nurse Consultant (CCNC).



DHS and CCNC will provide guidance to child care provider on cleaning, exclusion, and screening.

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**OUTBREAK:** 3 or more positive COVID-19 tests in staff or children that live in separate households when within a 14-day period.

**Communication Tree:**



Child care provider contacts DHS compliance staff or licensing consultant.



DHS staff report outbreak to Healthy Child Care Iowa (HCCI) Coordinator.



- ▶ HCCI Coordinator will contact Child Care Nurse Consultant (CCNC).
- ▶ HCCI will contact Local Public Health Department.



DHS and CCNC will collaborate and provide guidance to child care center.

**PROCEDURE FOR CHILD CARE PROVIDERS THAT HAVE A POSITIVE TEST IN A CHILD OR STAFF MEMBER?**

- ▶ Child care centers and homes should be deep cleaned in accordance with COVID-19 cleaning guidance: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html>.
- ▶ Implement screening procedures for staff and participants for fever and symptoms through the day (at least twice daily) if not already in place.
- ▶ Consider closure based on availability of staff or other factors.
- ▶ Notify all child care families of COVID-19 cases, maintaining confidentiality of the individual(s) who tested positive.

*Note: DHS and IDPH may require closure in special situations*

