COVID-19 Release from Quarantine for Fully Vaccinated Individuals Flow Chart

Isolate and test

YES

COVID-19 symptoms?

NO

Fully vaccinated?¹
1) Completed full COVID-19 vaccination series, AND
2) 14 days have passed since the last dose in the series

NO

Complete Quarantine per
SMC Release from
Quarantine Guidance

YES

1) Documentation of complete vaccination series must be submitted to San Mateo County Health

High Risk Individuals:
- Severely immunocompromised
- Dialysis patients

Hospitalized patients and Residents of Long-Term Care Facilities (LTCFs) and other Congregate Settings (i.e., shelters, correctional facilities)

Healthcare workers² including staff of LTCFs and other congregate settings

Individuals whose household members are:

Low Risk Individuals including school/childcare (staff, teachers, students)

High Risk Individuals:
- Severely immunocompromised
- Dialysis patients

No hardship

Hardship

Encourage 14-day quarantine without testing

Consider 10-day quarantine WITH testing

Quarantine Required

Higher-Risk Exposure

Non-High Risk Exposure

Quarantine NOT required
14-day symptom-watch required
Consider furloughing from work for 14 days unless there are staffing shortages, especially those individuals who have underlying immunocompromising conditions (e.g., organ transplant, cancer treatment)

May continue to attend work
Quarantine NOT required
14-day symptom-watch required

May continue to attend work
Quarantine from fully vaccinated household member NOT required
Consider minimizing contact with household members who are not fully vaccinated

Low risk

High-risk due to immunocompromised status

• May continue to attend work, school, and childcare
• Quarantine NOT required
• 14-day symptom-watch required

• May continue to attend work, school, and childcare
• Avoid contact with the high-risk individual for 14-days (without testing) or 10-days (with testing) if the individual is not fully vaccinated
• Consider minimizing contact with the high-risk individual for 14-days (without testing) or 10-days (with testing) if the individual is fully vaccinated, especially if the individual is severely immunocompromised

2 For staff working with severely immunocompromised patients (e.g., transplant, hematology-oncology), refer to the Return to Work Criteria for Healthcare and Congregate Setting Staff with Confirmed COVID-19, Suspected COVID-19, or Recognized Exposure to COVID-19 for additional information

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