

LTC Antigen Testing Guidelines

All staff must complete antigen testing, no greater than 12 hours prior, to every shift.

In the event the employee tests positive and is symptomatic, they must follow the symptomatic staff protocol, including being replaced for their shift and getting tested at a testing site.

In the event the employee tests positive, is asymptomatic and the testing sites are open, the employee should notify their manager/supervisor who will request a fast pass for the employee. The employee will be tested at a testing site, if they test negative, then the employee may work their scheduled shift. If they test positive, they must follow the isolation protocol for staff who test positive for COVID.

In the event the employee tests positive, is asymptomatic and the testing sites are closed, the employee should notify their manager/supervisor and every effort will be made to replace the staff member for this shift. In the event, the staff member cannot be replaced, they must diligently wear their medical mask for their entire shift. They may remove their mask to eat or drink, as long as they are by themselves in a non-clinical area. Once their shift is completed, they should get tested at a testing site and isolate until they have a negative result. In the event they test positive on IDNow they must follow the isolation protocol for staff who test positive for COVID.

Testing for Staff who Recovered from COVID who Become Symptomatic

Situation	Testing	Isolation
Symptomatic staff within 90 days of testing positive for COVID	Antigen test for two consecutive days	If both tests are negative, then no isolation is required If one or both tests are positive, then isolate until symptoms resolve
Symptomatic staff greater than 90 days of testing positive for COVID	Test with IDNow	If both tests are negative, then no isolation is required If positive, then follow positive case isolate based on vaccination status