

RE-TESTING MEASURES

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

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The CDC updated its isolation guidance based on the latest science about COVID-19, showing that people can continue to test positive for up to 3 months after diagnosis and not be infectious to others.



Contrary to media reporting today, this science does not imply a person is immune to reinfection with SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, in the 3 months following infection.

The latest data simply suggests that retesting someone in the 3 months following initial infection is not necessary unless that person is exhibiting the symptoms of COVID-19 and the symptoms cannot be associated with another illness.

For those who develop new symptoms consistent with COVID-19 during the 3 months after the date of initial symptom onset, if an alternative reason cannot be identified by a provider, then the person may warrant retesting

- Avoid touching** your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact** with people who are sick, sneezing or coughing.

It may be up to the disposition of employers/certain personnel to get retested earlier on, and the only way to mitigate COVID-19 is by getting the vaccination.

Source | <https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2020/s0814-updated-isolation-guidance.html>