

Notice to Employers in Philadelphia

The Health Department does not recommend that employers ask employees who are not showing symptoms to be tested for COVID-19.

The test is most likely to be positive a week or two after exposure. Unless your employees are in that window, testing will not be useful and could lead to more people getting sick.



DO NOT REQUIRE PROOF OF A NEGATIVE COVID-19 TEST FOR EMPLOYEES TO RETURN TO WORK.



DO FOLLOW THE PHILADELPHIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S SAFER AT HOME GUIDANCE TO KEEP YOUR STAFF AND THE PUBLIC SAFE.

- ✓ SYMPTOMS
- ✓ EXPOSURE



TEST



Testing is useful for employees who have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 and for employees with symptoms.

- ✗ SYMPTOMS
- ✓ EXPOSURE



QUARANTINE
X 14 DAYS



Consider testing 7-14 days after exposure, but quarantine for 14 days regardless of results.

- ✗ SYMPTOMS
- ✗ EXPOSURE



SAFE TO WORK



Testing is not necessary for employees to work and proof of negative COVID-19 test should not be required.