Child self-isolates at home and contacts health care provider for advice/assessment. Asymptomatic household contacts &/or close contacts can continue to attend school/work and monitor for symptoms.

Child becomes ill at home with two or more of the following new or worsening symptoms: sore throat, stuffy nose &/or runny nose, headache, nausea, vomiting &/or diarrhea, fatigue, lethargy, muscle aches, malaise.

Child tested for COVID-19

Child with symptoms

YES

Test result received.

If child has no known high-risk exposure and has not been advised by public health to isolate: Child can return to school/child care when they do not have a fever (without the use of fever-reducing meds) and when symptoms have been improving for 24 hours.

NO

Child with symptoms

POSITIVE

Child with positive test result remains in isolation and follows Hamilton Public Health Services guidance. Child cannot attend school/child care for at least 10 days. Household contacts need to self-isolate at home and follow public health guidelines.

Child has alternative diagnosis provided by health care provider.

Child stays home for a minimum of 24 hours from symptom onset. If symptom is improving, child returns to school/child care if they feel well enough to do so. If symptom worsens/persists, contact health care provider.

NEGATIVE

Child with symptoms self-isolates at home. Household contacts should monitor for symptoms.

Child with symptoms

RETURN TO SCHOOL/CHILD CARE

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