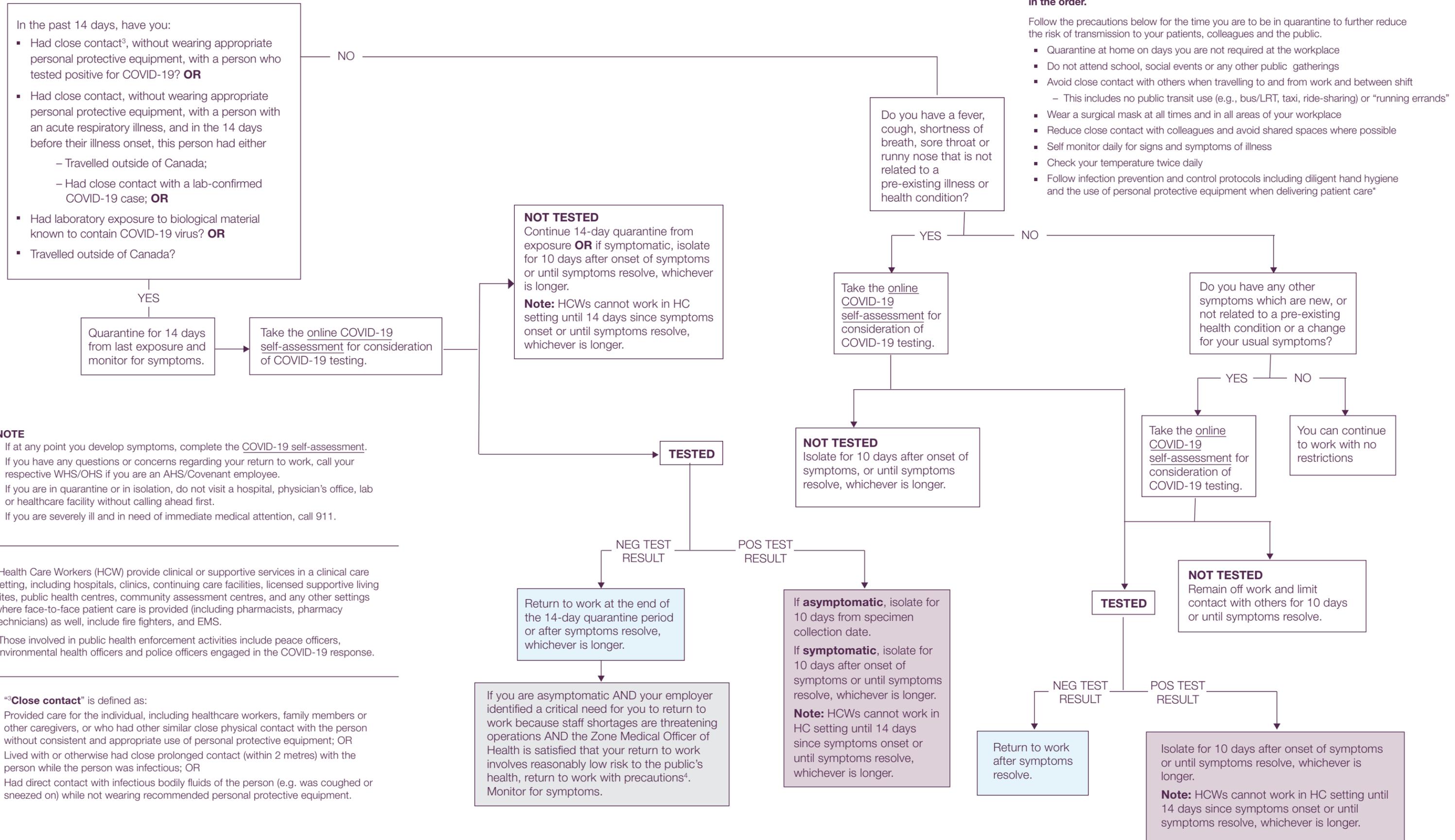


COVID-19 ASSESSMENT TOOL FOR HEALTH CARE WORKERS (HCW)¹ AND THOSE INVOLVED IN PUBLIC HEALTH ENFORCEMENT (PHE)²



***Note that you are being given an exemption from quarantine to return to work. This does not mean you are exempt from ALL restrictions and requirements in the order.**

Follow the precautions below for the time you are to be in quarantine to further reduce the risk of transmission to your patients, colleagues and the public.

- Quarantine at home on days you are not required at the workplace
- Do not attend school, social events or any other public gatherings
- Avoid close contact with others when travelling to and from work and between shift
 - This includes no public transit use (e.g., bus/LRT, taxi, ride-sharing) or "running errands"
- Wear a surgical mask at all times and in all areas of your workplace
- Reduce close contact with colleagues and avoid shared spaces where possible
- Self monitor daily for signs and symptoms of illness
- Check your temperature twice daily
- Follow infection prevention and control protocols including diligent hand hygiene and the use of personal protective equipment when delivering patient care*

- NOTE**
- If at any point you develop symptoms, complete the COVID-19 self-assessment.
 - If you have any questions or concerns regarding your return to work, call your respective WHS/OHS if you are an AHS/Covenant employee.
 - If you are in quarantine or in isolation, do not visit a hospital, physician's office, lab or healthcare facility without calling ahead first.
 - If you are severely ill and in need of immediate medical attention, call 911.

¹Health Care Workers (HCW) provide clinical or supportive services in a clinical care setting, including hospitals, clinics, continuing care facilities, licensed supportive living sites, public health centres, community assessment centres, and any other settings where face-to-face patient care is provided (including pharmacists, pharmacy technicians) as well, include fire fighters, and EMS.

²Those involved in public health enforcement activities include peace officers, environmental health officers and police officers engaged in the COVID-19 response.

³"Close contact" is defined as:

- Provided care for the individual, including healthcare workers, family members or other caregivers, or who had other similar close physical contact with the person without consistent and appropriate use of personal protective equipment; **OR**
- Lived with or otherwise had close prolonged contact (within 2 metres) with the person while the person was infectious; **OR**
- Had direct contact with infectious bodily fluids of the person (e.g. was coughed or sneezed on) while not wearing recommended personal protective equipment.

If you are asymptomatic AND your employer identified a critical need for you to return to work because staff shortages are threatening operations AND the Zone Medical Officer of Health is satisfied that your return to work involves reasonably low risk to the public's health, return to work with precautions⁴. Monitor for symptoms.