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## **Health Care Provider/First Responder Workflow: Lab-Confirmed Case**

V.2 Updated 3/30/20

1. CCBH notified of case, conducts case interview and contact tracing discussion and sends order of isolation
2. CCBH notifies Infection Control Practitioner at place of employment
  - Employer follows/manages contacts also employed at same facility/organization (employees, learners) if resources available
    - i. If organization requests, CCBH can follow/manage employee contacts
  - Organization provides CCBH with list of patient contacts and CCBH performs contact interview and sends quarantine order/information to all contacts
3. CCBH encourages HCP to contact own PCP to assist with symptom management and triage of clinical stability during course of illness. Case provided with CCBH 24/7 MD line as another point of contact.
4. CCBH encourages HCP to call Occupational Medicine Department where they work for further guidance on return to work
  - CDC guidance on return to work: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/healthcare-facilities/hcp-return-work.html>

## **Health Care Provider/First Responder Workflow: Exposed/Identified Contact**

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1. CCBH calls contact to assess exposure and symptoms
  - If symptomatic then refer to above workflow for positive case (HCP is classified as a presumptive case – symptomatic case with epidemiologic link to lab-confirmed case)
    - Testing will be conducted at discretion of employer and symptomatic HCP will be instructed to contact employer about testing protocol (HCPs/first responders are high priority testing category per CDC and ODH)
  - If asymptomatic, CCBH will provide guidance on exposure risk and send order of quarantine with caveat as below explained over the phone
2. CCBH explains CDC guidance for exposed HCP to potentially continue working
  - HCP can continue patient care if asymptomatic
  - Encourage HCP to discuss expectations for reporting to work with their supervisor
  - Employer should have protocol in place to check temperatures before beginning shift and to assess if symptoms are present.
  - CDC guidance on exposed HCP/contacts continuing to work while asymptomatic: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-risk-assesment-hcp.html>