Special Bulletin December 30, 2021



NETWORK BULLETIN



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FROM DPH

Updated Administrative Order For Isolation and Quarantine Protocols

Please be advised that on December 29, 2021, the Department of Public Health (DPH) issued a new Administrative Order for Public Health Control Measures. This updated Administrative Order contains new isolation and quarantine protocols which align with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidance issued December 27, 2021.

A brief summary of the new protocols are below. Please review the full Administrative Order and isolation and quarantine information for all details by **clicking here**. This order is also available on the **DPH website**.

Isolation

If you test positive for COVID-19, everyone (regardless of vaccination status) must:

- Isolate at home for 5 days from the date symptoms first appeared or, if asymptomatic, the date of the positive test. Stay away from others in the household as much as possible during isolation.
- After 5 days, if you have no symptoms or your symptoms are resolving and you have not had fever for more than 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medication, you may end isolation. If symptoms are not improving or fever has not resolved, you should continue isolating until the above criteria are met.
- After ending isolation, you should continue to wear a mask around others for 5 days.

Quarantine

If you have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 and you are:

- Boosted, or have become fully vaccinated within the last 6 months (Moderna or Pfizer vaccine) or within the last 2 months (J&J vaccine):
 - You do not need to quarantine at home.
 - You should wear a mask around others for 10 days.
 - If possible, get tested on day 5.
 - If you develop symptoms, get tested and isolate at home until test results are received, then proceed in accordance with the test results.
- Unvaccinated, or became fully vaccinated more than 6 months ago (Moderna or Pfizer vaccine) or more than 2 months ago (J&J vaccine) and have not received a booster:
 - You must quarantine at home for 5 days. After that, continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
 - If possible, get tested on day 5.
 - If you develop symptoms, get tested and isolate at home until test results are received, then proceed in accordance with the test results.

Director

Anna Bourque

Senior Provider Relations Managers

Carole Crowley Sharon Pyles

For Provider Relations inquiries, please contact us at DBHDD.Provider@dbhdd.ga.gov.



BE WELL, WEAR A MASK, & WASH YOUR HANDS!



