



# COVID-19 Quarantine vs. Isolation

**QUARANTINE** keeps someone who was in close contact with someone who has COVID-19 away from others.



If you had close contact with a person who has COVID-19



• Stay home until 14 days after your last contact.



• Check your temperature twice a day and watch for symptoms of COVID-19.



• If possible, stay away from people who are at higher-risk for getting very sick from COVID-19.

**ISOLATION** keeps someone who is sick or tested positive for COVID-19 without symptoms away from others, even in their own home.



If you are sick and think or know you have COVID-19



• Stay home until after  
– 3 days with no fever and  
– Symptoms improved and  
– 10 days since symptoms first appeared



If you tested positive for COVID-19 but do not have symptoms



• Stay home until after  
– 10 days have passed since your positive test.



If you live with others, stay in a specific “sick room” or area and away from other people or animals, including pets. Use a separate bathroom, if available.