



TRAVIS COUNTY ESD #5  
 MANCHACA FIRE RESCUE  
 Department Directive

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**Reporting Off and Return to Work due to COVID-19**

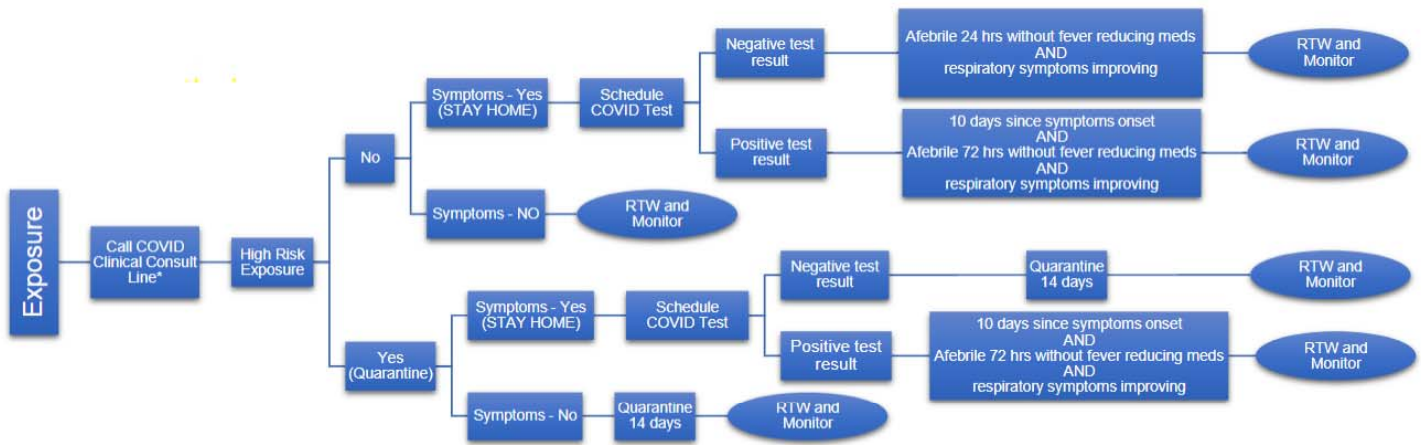
To prevent unnecessary spread of COVID-19 through our workforce and reduce exposure to (or from) our families, it is important that members recognize symptoms and conditions that would require them to contact the COVID Clinical Consult Line (formerly the MOC), their chain of command, and to be placed off duty.

If a member experiences fever above 99.6 degrees or develops ILI symptoms, or has experienced an exposure, they should contact the CCCL and report their status to a Chief Officer. Some symptoms include fever, cough, muscle ache, sore throat, headaches, and loss of sense of smell and/or taste. Conditions constituting an exposure are covered in Directive 2020-007: Continued Protective Measures Against COVID-19.

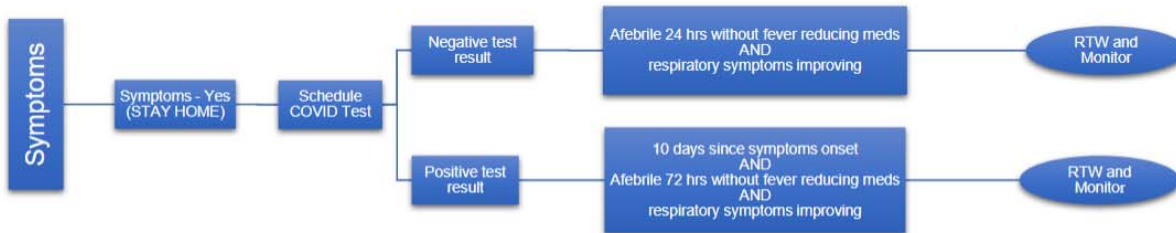
Additionally, if a crewmember is placed off work and has been directed to be tested for COVID-19, any other personnel that worked with the off member in the past 24 hours will be placed off duty pending the results of the test.

If a member has someone in their immediate family develop COVID-19 or ILI symptoms, they should not report to work. They should contact a Chief Officer to report the situation and receive further direction.

The chart below illustrates the process to determine the need for testing and quarantine for personnel:



**Note:** If you have had a positive COVID test and are asymptomatic, you may return to work 10 days after the positive test.



Once off duty, members are allowed to return to work with a Chief's authorization once one of these conditions are met and documentation is forwarded to a Chief Officer.

- A symptomatic member that tests negative can return once afebrile for 24 hours (without fever reducing medication)
- A symptomatic member that tests positive can return after 10 days of symptoms onset along with 72 hours fever free
- If a member experiences a high risk exposure, they will be quarantined for 14 days unless they test positive. If positive, the member can return to work 10 days after symptoms onset along with 72 hours fever free