



Bars & Restaurants

What should you do when you are alerted of a positive COVID-19 case related to your establishment?

Establishments must follow appropriate mitigation requirements detailed in the Department of Health's [Executive Order 183](#) which covers how bars and restaurants respond to worksite exposures or ill workers.

Clean and disinfect your facility if someone is sick

- **Close off areas** used by the person who is sick.
 - You do not necessarily need to close operations, if you can close off affected areas.
- **Open outside doors and windows** to increase air circulation in the area.
- **Wait 24 hours** before you clean or disinfect. If 24 hours is not feasible, wait as long as possible.
- Clean and disinfect **all areas and shared electronic equipment used by the person who is sick.**
- **Once appropriately disinfected, it can be opened for use.**
 - **Workers without close contact** with the person who is sick can return to work immediately after disinfection.
- If **more than 7 days** since the person who is sick visited or used the facility, additional cleaning and disinfection is not necessary. Continue routine cleaning and disinfection

Contact trace by assisting your local health department with a line list of close contacts to the confirmed case

- Contact tracing is the process of identifying, contacting persons who may have come into contact with an infected/infectious person. This process is done to prevent the further spread of disease.
- A close contact is someone who spent 15 minutes or more within a 24-hour time period and was within 6 feet of a person who is infected with COVID-19. Exposure must happen while the infected person is infectious (2 days before onset to 10 days after).
- **Confirmed COVID-19 cases need to isolate for at least 10 days** from the day they began symptoms, or the day of their test if asymptomatic.
 - Isolation separates sick people with a contagious disease from people who are not sick.
- **Close contacts of confirmed COVID-19 cases need to quarantine for 14 days** from their last exposure to the case
 - Quarantine separates and restricts the movement of people who were exposed to a contagious disease to see if they become sick.
 - You **cannot test out of quarantine**. Even if you test negative, stay home for 14 days. A negative test only shows you are not infected on the day tested during the 14 day quarantine. You can still test positive and/or become sick during the 14 day quarantine.

Call your local health department if a COVID-19 case is associated with your facility

- Notify your local health department of a positive COVID-19 case associated with your facility.
 - The local health department conducts case investigations and contact tracing for each case and will assist in determining any risk factors and best next steps for the facility

Please reach the Monmouth County Health Department at:
50 East Main Street, Freehold, NJ 07728
Phone: 732-431-7456

For more information, important phone numbers, testing, and other COVID-19 guidance resources please visit:

<https://www.co.monmouth.nj.us/page.aspx?ID=1932>