When is a COVID-19 Test Required for a Symptomatic Child/Staff Member to Return to Child Care?

**COVID-19 Test REQUIRED**

1 of the following symptoms:

- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

OR 2 (or more) of the following symptoms:
*(if only one symptom, a test is not required)*

- Fever (temperature greater than 100.4 degrees or felt feverish to the touch)
- Chills
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat

**COVID-19 Test NOT Required**

For 1 or more of these symptoms, a test is *not* required:

- Fatigue
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

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1 [https://reopeningri.com/child-care-youth-activities](https://reopeningri.com/child-care-youth-activities)
Returning to a child care facility (new slide)

• When can an individual with symptoms who is not a probable case return to child care?

• A test result is not required to return to child care.

• May return to child care when:
  o 24 hours fever free (without use of fever medication) and
  o Symptoms improved (back to usual health)

• Parent/guardian may attest (staff may self-attest) that return to child care criteria have been met.

• A note from a healthcare provider is not required.