



Section 4. Considerations for guests who test positive with COVID-19:

If an individual tests positive in Flathead County, they will be required to isolate until they meet CDC criteria for release from isolation. Release from isolation must be cleared by the Health Department (MCA 50-18-107). If the individual is unable to leave Flathead County, isolation may result in someone staying in your facility for a longer period of time than initially planned.

Lodging facilities should consider solutions to address the following situations:

- A guest asks to extend their stay to a 10-day minimum.
 - Consider leaving 1-2 rooms unbooked at all times to accommodate the potential need for self-isolation.
 - Require all guests to sign a waiver prior to booking that they agree to pay for all expenses incurred in the case of a mandatory isolation.
- Cleaning of the room.
 - Notify housekeeping staff to not enter the room.
 - Provide adequate cleaning and disinfection supplies for individual to utilize themselves.
 - Please note that if a person is under mandatory isolation for COVID19, a FCCHD public health nurse will check-in with the individual every-day via phone-call.
- Delivering food and essential goods.
 - Food or essential goods may be delivered to the door of the hotel room.
 - Individuals delivering goods should utilize proper PPE when placing the items at the door. Hand hygiene should immediately follow.

Quarantine of contacts and communication:

- Health Department will notify contacts of their exposure, assess for symptoms, and give quarantine instructions.
- Per the CDC recommendations, testing of all close contacts may be conducted depending on availability of testing resources.
 - Health Department staff will make testing recommendation to close contacts at time of investigation.
- If a close contact is positive, an investigation will be initiated on that individual and they must remain in isolation until they meet the CDC



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Cleaning and disinfecting the room after the individual leaves:

- **Wait 24 hours** before you clean or disinfect. If 24 hours is not feasible, wait as long as possible.
- After 24 hours, open outside doors and windows to increase circulation in the area.
- Clean and disinfect all areas used by the person who is sick, such as bathrooms, common areas, shared electronic equipment like tablets, touch screens, keyboards, remote controls, and kitchen areas.
- Vacuum the space if needed. Use vacuum equipped with high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filter, if available.
 - Do not vacuum a room or space that has people in it. Wait until the room or space is empty to vacuum.
- Once area has been 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.