

**EASY WAY TO FIND THE EXPOSURE CATEGORY TO COVID-19
ACCORDING TO THE CDC DEFINITION, THROUGH EXAMPLES**

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(N.B.: For any missing exposure situation or for any lack of clarity about any statements please refer to the CDC website; this is only an aid for comprehending the CDC guidelines easily)

EPIDEMIOLOGIC RISK FACTOR	EXPOSURE CATEGORY	COMMENTS
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was NOT wearing a facemask with the HCP not wearing any PPE	HIGH RISK EXPOSURE	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was NOT wearing a facemask with the HCP not wearing a facemask or respirator	HIGH RISK EXPOSURE	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was NOT wearing a facemask with the HCP not wearing eye protection during an aerosol-generating procedure ¹	HIGH RISK EXPOSURE	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was wearing a facemask with the HCP wearing no PPE	MEDIUM RISK EXPOSURE	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was wearing a facemask with the HCP not wearing a facemask or respirator	MEDIUM RISK EXPOSURE	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure

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Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was wearing a facemask with the HCP not wearing gown or gloves <i>if HCP had extensive body contact with the patients (e.g., rolling the patient).</i>	MEDIUM RISK EXPOSURE	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was NOT wearing a facemask while the HCP not wearing eye protection	MEDIUM RISK EXPOSURE	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was NOT wearing a facemask, with HCP not wearing gown or gloves <i>if HCP had extensive body contact with the patients (e.g., rolling the patient).</i>	MEDIUM RISK EXPOSURE	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was NOT wearing a facemask but HCP wearing all recommended PPE except for wearing a facemask instead of a respirator <i>during an aerosol-generating procedure</i>	MEDIUM RISK EXPOSURE	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was wearing a facemask with the HCP not wearing eye protection	LOW RISK EXPOSURE	None
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was wearing a facemask with the HCP	LOW RISK EXPOSURE	None

not wearing gown or gloves (NB: Will not apply if HCP had extensive body contact with the patients (e.g., rolling the patient))		
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was wearing a facemask with the HCP wearing all recommended PPE except for wearing a facemask instead of a respirator	LOW RISK EXPOSURE	None
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was NOT wearing a facemask, with HCP not wearing gown or gloves (NB: Will not apply if for an aerosol generating procedure or if HCP had extensive body contact with the patients (e.g., rolling the patient))	LOW RISK EXPOSURE	None
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient who was NOT wearing a facemask but HCP wearing all recommended PPE except for wearing a facemask instead of a respirator (NB: Will not apply if for an aerosol generating procedure)	LOW RISK EXPOSURE	None
Prolonged close contact with a COVID-19 patient with the HCP wearing all recommended PPE including respirator	YOU ARE FINE!	None

HCP= Health Care Provider 1Procedures likely to generate higher concentrations of respiratory secretions or aerosols include cardiopulmonary resuscitation, intubation, extubation, bronchoscopy, nebulizer therapy, sputum induction