



Staff & Volunteer Illness Policies

Non-Specific Gastrointestinal (GI) Illness

Person is experiencing nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea with or without fever

- Staff/volunteers can return once:
 - all symptoms, including fever, are resolved x **24 hrs** WITHOUT medications*AND
 - they've had at least one typical bowel movement
- Daily COVID antigen tests required - including on day of return (i.e. 2 tests within 24 hrs while asymptomatic)
- On return, staff/volunteers are **restricted from food handling x 48 hrs** AND need to remove themselves from the common space for any mask-off time, including breaks and meals **for 7 days**

Non-Specific Symptoms - non-GI

Person is experiencing congestion, cough, sore throat, headache, with or without fever

- Staff/volunteers can return once:
 - all symptoms, including fever, are resolved x **24 hrs** WITHOUT any medications*OR
 - fever resolved x **24 hrs** WITHOUT medications* and **10 days** past symptom onset, whichever is first

e.g. you have a lingering cough, but fever is fully resolved x 48 hrs, and you are 10 days from symptom onset, you can return.
- Daily COVID antigen tests required - including on day of return (i.e. 2 tests within 24 hrs while asymptomatic)
- On return, staff/volunteers need to remove themselves from the common space for any mask-off time, including breaks and meal, **for 7 days**

Specific Guidelines

Where a staff member/volunteer falls ill and receives a specific diagnosis (influenza, shingles, etc.), return to the workplace will be based on the best available guidance regarding the infectious period of the specific illness and any particular unique precautions or considerations that need to be taken into account. If they test positive for COVID-19, follow the ART Infection Control Precautions.

NOTE: Illness in Household

If someone in the household is ill, **staff/volunteers need to remove themselves** from the common space for any mask-off time, including breaks and meal, from notification to **5 days** from symptoms resolving in the house, using the guidelines above to define resolution.

**this includes medications designed to manage symptoms, i.e. pain relievers, fever reducers, cough suppressants, decongestants, anti-nausea and anti-emetics (preventing vomiting), anti-diarrheal, etc; it does not include antibiotics.*

***pls use the learner guidelines for children in the household and staff guidelines for adults*



Learner Illness Policies

Non-Specific Gastrointestinal (GI) Illness

Person is experiencing nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea with or without fever

- Learners can return once:
 - all symptoms, including fever, are resolved x **48 hrs** WITHOUT medications* AND
 - they've had at least one typical bowel movement
- Daily COVID antigen tests required - including on day of return (i.e. 2 tests within 24 hrs while asymptomatic)
- On return, the **learner will be cohorted** from the common space for any mask-off time, including snacks and meals **for 7 days**

Non-Specific Symptoms - non-GI

Person is experiencing congestion, cough, sore throat, headache, with or without fever

- Learners can return once:
 - all symptoms, including fever, are resolved x **48 hrs** WITHOUT medications* OR
 - fever resolved x **48 hrs** WITHOUT medications* and **10 days** past symptom onset, whichever is first

e.g. you have a lingering cough, but fever is fully resolved x 48 hrs, and you are 10 days from symptom onset, you can return.
- Daily COVID antigen tests required - including on day of return (i.e. 2 tests within 24 hrs while asymptomatic)
- On return, the **learner will be cohorted** from the common space for any mask-off time, including snacks and meals **for 7 days**

Specific Guidelines

Where a learner falls ill and receives a specific diagnosis (influenza, chicken pox, etc.), return to school will be based on the best available guidance regarding the infectious period of the specific illness and any particular unique precautions or considerations that need to be taken into account (see Caregiver Handbook for specific guidance). If a learner tests positive for COVID-19, please follow the most recent ART Infection Control Precautions.

NOTE: Illness in Household

If someone in the household is ill, the **family is to alert ART** and the learner will be cohorted from the common space for any mask-off time, including snacks and meals, from notification to **5 days** from symptoms resolving in the house, using the guidelines above** define resolution.

*this includes medications designed to manage symptoms, i.e. pain relievers, fever reducers, cough suppressants, decongestants, anti-nausea and anti-emetics (preventing vomiting), anti-diarrheal, etc; it does not include antibiotics.

**pls use the learner guidelines for children in the household and staff guidelines for adults