

Transforming lives for homeless children & their families

COVID -What to do for hosts of FPNI September 2021

Meeting with FPNI Medical Advisory Committee

The delta variant is different: we are seeing breakthrough infections. For FPNI volunteers or the community the best protection to keep self and staff safe is with masks.

In our community we see the topic of masks to be very inflammatory. We are as committed as possible to recognize this and empower all in our network with information.

We have chosen to maintain privacy and not disclose vaccination status.

Assume all are unvaccinated.

If you have a volunteer who is vulnerable, recommend they get vaccinated.

FPNI choose route with this question: How can we help families and keep them safe? We include volunteers and provide access to families by educating rather than using mandates.

We are doing the best we can to keep people safe. Thank you for doing the same.

The best line of defense from COVID 19 according to the CDC is masking and being vaccinated.

MASKS ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED inside buildings.

The CDC recommends distancing as the next line of defense as

COVID is airborne and droplets are a bigger concern.

EXPOSURE

- If it is a volunteer: Go home, if they test positive, notify FPNI staff as soon as possible
- If guest is exposed to the volunteer who tested positive
 - Limit contact, get tested 5 days after exposure
 - o If symptomatic 48 hours after hosting occurred, quarantine guests
- Quarantine families from each other. Drop off food to guest who is sick
- Asymptomatic guests can work <u>with masks</u> on (Case Manager works with guest on this)

QUARANTINE IF: (no meals in community area, stay in room)

- 100.4 + temperature
- Symptomatic
- If asymptomatic, keep watch and in close communication
 - Rapid test is OK IF asymptomatic
- Test 5 days after exposure (Case Manager will help arrange)

POSITIVE TEST

- Quarantine both families
 - FPNI will provide an isolation location for guests who test positive

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- Contact trace back 7 days of hosts
 - Test 5 days after exposure

COMMUNICATION From FPNI: To coordinator, to others that were exposed (coordinator contacts their hosts), to Medical Team, assess additional communication needs.

Symptoms to watch for:

- Fever,
- cough,
- diarrhea,
- headache,
- sore throat,
- loss of appetite,
- loss of smell,
- fatigue,
- body aches,
- see the CDC for additional symptom list.

If you have questions you are invited to contact:

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