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Updated Quarantine Guidance for Close Contacts

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) have updated the quarantine guidance for close contacts of someone diagnosed with COVID-19.

DHS now allows that for people who do not develop symptoms, quarantine can end:

- After completing day 10 of quarantine without testing
- After completing day 7 of quarantine* and receiving a negative test result (a copy of the doctor result must be presented to school or supervisor.)

Individuals must continue to monitor for symptoms for the full 14 days. If symptoms develop following the end of quarantine, people are advised to immediately isolate, contact their health care provider and get tested.

GRACE Schools will monitor this new guidance practice closely. If increased spread or positivity is noted in our schools, we will revert back to the higher level, 14 day quarantine time period.

Additional Resources

- Wisconsin Department of Health Services
<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/news/releases/120420.htm>
- Centers for Disease Control
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/more/scientific-brief-options-to-reduce-quarantine.html>
- Brown County Health & Human Services Public Health Division
<https://graceschools-6-1-18.s3.amazonaws.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/07141546/NEW-BCPH-Quarantine-Guidance-as-of-12.7.20.pdf>

*Note: * Specimen must be collected and tested within 48 hours before the end of day 7, but quarantine may not be discontinued until after day 7.*