**COVID-19 Decision Tree for the Food Industry**

### Symptoms
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- Chills/Repeated shaking with chills
- Cough
- Shortness of Breath
- Chest Pain
- Out of the ordinary tiredness
- Bluish lips or face
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- Runny nose/Nasal congestion
- Sore throat
- Lost sense of smell or taste
- Gastrointestinal problems (diarrhea)

**Close Contact**

*What is considered Close Contact:*
- Household member.
- Intimate partner.
- Individual providing care in a household without using recommended infection control precautions.
- Individual who was directly coughed on.
- Individual who was within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to positive specimen collection) until the time the criteria for return to work were met. Contact is considered Close Contact irrespective of whether the person with COVID-19 or the contact were wearing a cloth face covering at the time of exposure.

**CDC Precautions (Talk to your local Department of Health)**
- Employers should measure the employee’s temperature and assess symptoms before the individual enters the facility every day.
- Employee should self-monitor under the supervision of their employer’s occupational health program.
- The employee should wear a face mask or employer approved cloth face covering at all times while in the workplace.

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1. Employee develops symptoms at home or at work.
   - Does the Employee have a fever (100.4°F)?
     - Yes: Ask employee to contact local health provider. Contact Department of Health and follow their instructions.
     - No: Does the Employee have a Combination of both cough and shortness of breath?
       - Yes: Not allowed to work
       - No: Can you work without this employee?
         - Yes: Allowed to work
         - No: Talk to your local Department of Health. Ask if employee can work if CDC precautions are followed for the next 14 days since the last exposure.

2. Employee is tested for COVID-19. NOT allowed to work until results come back negative.
   - Has the Employee had close contact with COVID-19 positive person or has cough together with other symptoms?
     - Yes: *See Symptoms** **See Close Contact
     - No: Does the Employee tests positive for COVID-19?
       - Yes: Allowed to work
       - No: Is this the only employee that developed symptoms or tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 48h?
         - Yes: Consider shutting down the operation for 48h. Ask employees to self-quarantine and self-monitor.
         - No: Did the employee have Close Contact with another employee(s) within 48h of showing symptoms?
           - Yes: **See Close Contact
           - No: Did the other employee(s) develop any symptoms?
             - Yes: Clean the space and surfaces employee came into contact in the last 48h before continuing production.
             - No: Evacuate and close off the space where employee was working for 24h.
               - Employee allowed to return after approved by the local health provider, Department of Health or after employee has:
                 - NO fever for 24h (without the use of medications).
                 - NO other symptom when returning to work.
                 - 10 days or more have passed since the symptoms first began.

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