

# WHEN DO I NEED TO QUARANTINE AFTER GETTING THE VACCINE?

Even if you've received your COVID-19 vaccination, you may still come in contact with someone who tests positive and may need to watch for symptoms or quarantine. Continue for some ideas for what to do if you find yourself in this situation.

### You are considered fully vaccinated:

- 2 weeks after your second dose in a 2-dose series, like the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or
- 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, like Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine.

If it has been less than 2 weeks since your shot, or if you still need to get your second dose, **you are NOT fully protected**. Keep taking all prevention steps until you are fully vaccinated, including quarantine guidance.

### **SCENARIO 1:**



- Philip received the final dose of the COVID-19 vaccine on Monday. After receiving his second dose, Philip must wait two weeks to be considered fully vaccinated.
- On Friday, his daughter, who had driven him to the store on Wednesday, tests positive for COVID-19. Philip must quarantine for 14 days following this close contact.
- Public Health recommends he gets tested for COVID-19 5-7 days after his last exposure even if he doesn't develop symptoms. As long as he does not develop symptoms and tests negative, he has options on when to finish his quarantine.
- He chooses the safest option and watches for symptoms until he finishes quarantine on Day 15.

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
Receives second dose of vaccine			Close Contact		starts to quarantin nitors for symptom	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14			



## **SCENARIO 2:**

- Marie received the final dose of the COVID-19 vaccine on Monday. She spends the next two weeks mostly at home and away from others.
- Two and a half weeks after becoming fully vaccinated, Marie has lunch with her friend, who later tests positive for COVID-19. Because it has been longer than 2 weeks since Marie had been vaccinated (meeting the CDC definition of being fully vaccinated) and she did not develop symptoms after her close contact, she does not need to quarantine.
- She watches for symptoms for 14 days.

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
Receives second dose of vaccine	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Marie is considered fully vaccinated.	8	9	10	11	12	13
<b>V</b> 14			Close Contact - no need to quarantine.			

# **SCENARIO 3:**

- Elisabeth and her family all tested positive for COVID-19 and fully recovered in late November 2020.
- One month later, Elisabeth's sister falls ill with COVID-19 after spending a full day together. Elisabeth, who has short term immunity from recovering from COVID-19, does not need to quarantine after her close contact as long as she does not develop symptoms.
- She watches for symptoms for 14 days.

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
Recovers from COVID-19						
<b>*</b> 🔅 0	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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28	29	30	Close Contact - no need to quarantine.	Watches for sympt for 14 days.	oms	



# **SCENARIO 4:**

- Later, in March, Elisabeth's coworker develops COVID-19 symptoms. Even though Elisabeth recovered from COVID-19 four months ago, she will need to quarantine again for 14 full days after this close contact on Monday.
- She watches for symptoms for 14 days.

