

SUBJECT: COVID-19 Campus Exposure Notification and Quarantine Policy

OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY: Vice President of Human Resources and Organizational Development

DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY: Vice President of Human Resources and Organizational Development and the Dean of Student Affairs

REFERENCE: Center for Disease Control
CUKC Campus Reopening Guide

DATE: July 22, 2020 (revised October 23, 2020, January 1, 2021)

POLICY:

CUKC will monitor potential campus exposures to COVID-19 as reported through the CUKC COVID-19 Incident Report, notify individual campus constituents who may be at significant risk of exposure, and restrict at-risk individuals from being on campus following guidelines established by the Center for Disease Control (CDC).

PROCEDURE:

Reporting Requirements

- CUKC created a Campus Reopening Guide to inform students, employees, and business partners of expectations related to COVID-19 monitoring and reporting.
- CUKC students, employees and business partners are expected to self-monitor daily and immediately disclose any reportable outcomes as described in the Campus Reopening Guide using the CUKC COVID-19 Incident Report link at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CUKCCOVID19>. This includes relevant symptoms or 'close contact' to someone with, or suspected of having, COVID-19.
- 'Close contact' is defined by the CDC as "*Someone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to test specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated*". ([CDC Close Contact Definition](#))

Note: Neither the CDC nor Kansas Department of Health and Environment identify in writing that the wearing of face coverings is a reason to exclude someone who meets the definition of 'close contact' above from quarantine requirements.

- All student COVID-19 Incident Reports will be processed by the Dean of Student Affairs and all non-student reports will be processed by the Vice President of Human Resources and Organizational Development.

Quarantine Requirements

- CUKC will notify individual campus constituents who have been identified in the COVID-19 Incident Report or through further contact tracing as having had 'close contact' to someone with, or suspected of having, COVID-19 as defined by the CDC. In these instances, the individual(s) will

be advised to quarantine and will not be permitted back on campus until cleared by the Dean of Student Affairs or the Vice President of Human Resources and Organizational Development or their respective designees.

- CUKC will not permit any individual on campus who meets the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's criteria for quarantine.

[\(KS Travel & Exposure Quarantine Recommendations\)](#)

- CUKC will not permit any individual on campus who meets CDC guidelines for quarantine as described below:

Anyone who has been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19. This includes people who previously had COVID-19 and people who have taken a serologic (antibody) test and have antibodies to the virus.

1. You were within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to test specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated,
2. You provided care at home to someone who is sick with COVID-19,
3. You had direct physical contact with the person (touched, hugged, or kissed them),
4. You shared eating or drinking utensils, or
5. They sneezed, coughed, or somehow got respiratory droplets on you.

[\(CDC Quarantine Requirements\)](#)

- Individuals who have had 'close contact' with someone suspected of having COVID-19 or is experiencing symptoms themselves will be advised as described in the previous bullet until the individual has been cleared by the Vice President of Human Resources and Organizational Development or the Dean of Student Affairs as described below.

Release to Return to Campus

- In suspected exposure cases, if the individual causing the exposure cases tests negative, the exposed individual(s) may be cleared to return to campus by the Vice President of Human Resources and Organizational Development or the Dean of Student Affairs.
- If the individual causing the exposure tests positive, the exposed individual(s) will be required to complete the 14-day quarantine period regardless of a negative COVID-19 before being cleared by the Vice President of Human Resources and Organizational Development or the Dean of Student Affairs.
- In instances where an individual is suspected or known to have COVID-19, they may be cleared to return to campus by the Vice President of Human Resources and Organizational Development or the Dean of Student Affairs when the following conditions have been met:
 1. At least 10 days since symptoms first appeared, and
 2. At least 24 hours with no fever without fever-reducing medication, and
 3. Symptoms have improved.

- In instances where an individual tested positive for COVID-19 but had no symptoms, they may be cleared to return to campus by the Vice President of Human Resources and Organizational Development or the Dean of Student Affairs when the following conditions have been met:
 1. Continue to have no symptoms, and
 2. 10 days have passed since test.
- All individual on campus quarantine should be cleared by the Vice President of Human Resources and Organizational Development or the Dean of Student Affairs before returning to campus.

NOTE: *The Vice President of Human Resources and Organizational Development may approve CUKC faculty members who are isolated for exposures to be cleared for expedited return to campus using one of the isolations options identified by the CDC. In these situations, if the individual causing the exposure has not tested negative, the exposed individual(s) will may be approved to complete a 10-day quarantine period or a 7-day quarantine period if taking a COVID test and receiving a negative result within 48 hours before the time of planned quarantine discontinuation. Faculty will be required to meet all other campus entry requirements.*

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/more/scientific-brief-options-to-reduce-quarantine.html>