Co-located Schools Updated Guidance for Vaccinated Close Contacts in Situation Room Cases

The City of New York has aligned its quarantine policy for fully-vaccinated individuals with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), which does not require fully-vaccinated, asymptomatic individuals who are exposed to COVID-19 to quarantine. Fully-vaccinated individuals must still monitor their condition for any <u>symptoms of COVID-19</u> for 14 days following exposure to a confirmed case, per the CDC.

If there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 at your school, fully-vaccinated individuals who are considered close contacts should still be included in the Close Contacts spreadsheet shared by the Situation Room. The Test and Trace Corp (T2) will contact the fully-vaccinated individual and inform them that they are a close contact and provide appropriate guidance. As stated above, fully-vaccinated, asymptomatic individuals who are exposed to COVID-19 are not required to quarantine, but should still monitor their condition for any symptoms of COVID-19 for 14 days following exposure. If they experience symptoms, they should isolate themselves from others, be clinically evaluated for COVID-19, including getting tested, if indicated, and inform their healthcare provider of their vaccination status at the time of COVID-19 evaluation/clinical testing.

Charter schools should consult with their legal teams to confirm whether supervisors can require staff to disclose their vaccination status.

Individuals are considered fully vaccinated if two weeks have passed since their second dose in a two-dose series (Pfizer or Moderna vaccine) or two weeks have passed since their single-dose vaccination (Johnson & Johnson vaccine). If it has been less than two weeks since their single-dose vaccination or second shot in a two-dose series, or if they still need to get their second dose, they are not considered fully vaccinated.

For questions about vaccinated close contacts, email the Situation Room at rts@buildings.nyc.gov.