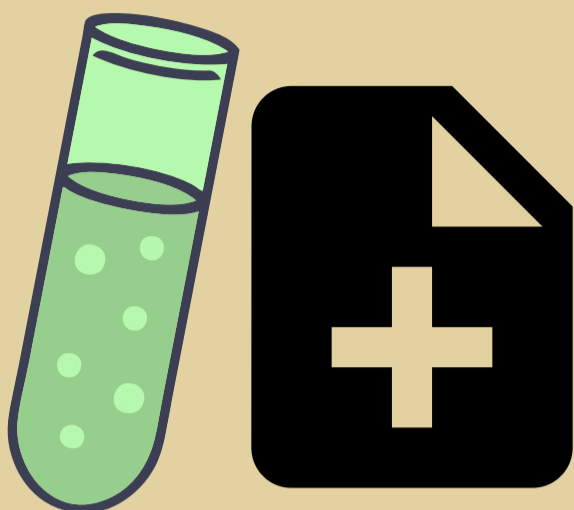


# WHAT IS PUBLIC HEALTH CONTACT TRACING?



## ORDER FOR ISOLATION

**The case is issued an Order for Isolation by the Health Officer.**

If the case is healthy enough, they will isolate at home until they recover. Precautions are taken to protect other household members. If the individual is very ill, they will be isolated and be cared for in a hospital. Isolation of a positive case is enforceable by law.



## IDENTIFY & QUARANTINE CONTACTS

**Case is asked about their contacts.**

Contacts are identified, contacted by public health staff, evaluated for risk of exposure, and given an Order for Quarantine by the Health Officer.

Contacts will be watched for symptoms for 14 days from the date of their last exposure, and be tested accordingly.



## POSITIVE COVID-19 CASE

**Public Health is notified.**

Healthcare providers are required by law to report certain diseases to their local health department. If an individual was tested in another county, the local health department may receive this notification from the state health department.



## INVESTIGATE SOURCE OF INFECTION

**Public Health interviews the case.**

Public Health staff reviews travel, contact with known COVID-19 cases, and other exposures over the 14 day period prior to the onset of symptoms. If the source of infection cannot be identified, this may indicate "community transmission."



## REPEAT THE PROCESS

**Monitor for symptoms in quarantined individuals.**

If an individual in quarantine develops symptoms, they will be tested, put in isolation and interviewed to identify their close contacts. Those individuals will be put in quarantine and observed for 14 days. The cycle continues until there are no cases.

**SOCIAL DISTANCING MAKES A HUGE DIFFERENCE IN CONTACT TRACING.**