

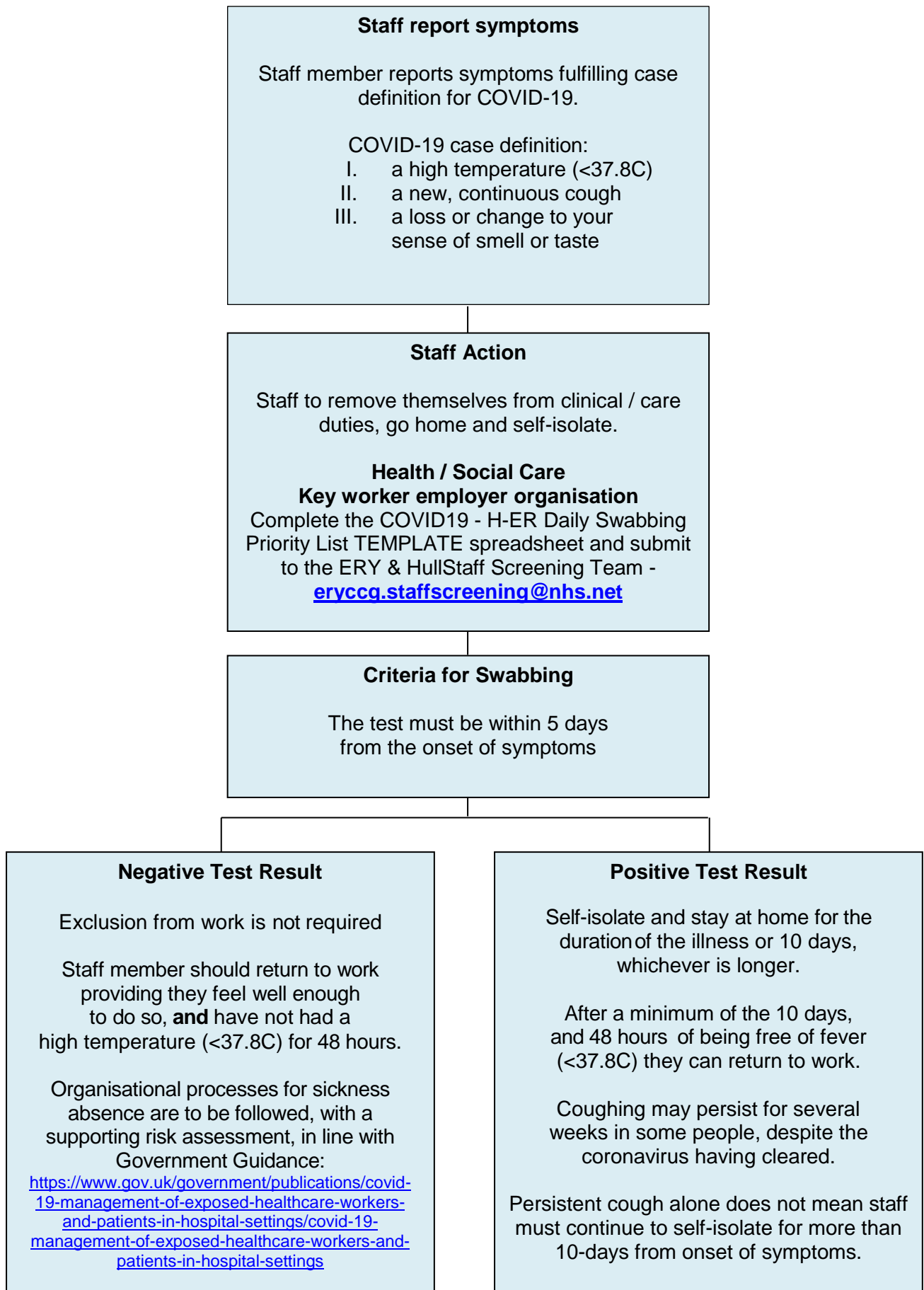
Pathway for Swabbing Symptomatic COVID-19 Staff and Household Member(s)

Criteria for Swabbing

The swab must be carried out within 5 days from the onset of symptoms.



Management of Staff with COVID-19 Symptoms



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Family Member / Household contact with COVID-19 Symptoms

Family Member / Member of Household report symptoms

Family Member / Member of Household reports symptoms fulfilling case definition for COVID-19.

- COVID-19 case definition:
- I. a high temperature (<37.8C)
 - II. a new, continuous cough
 - III. a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Staff Action

Staff to remove themselves from clinical / care duties, go home and self-isolate.

Health / Social Care

Key worker employer organisation

Complete the COVID19 - H-ER Daily Swabbing Priority List TEMPLATE spreadsheet and submit to the ERY & Hull Staff Screening Team
eryccg.staffscreening@nhs.net

Criteria for Swabbing

The test must be within 5 days from the onset of symptoms

Negative Test Result

Exclusion from work is not required

Staff member should return to work providing they feel well enough to do so, **and** have not had a high temperature (<37.8C) for 48 hours.

Organisational processes for sickness absence are to be followed, with a supporting risk assessment, in line with Government Guidance:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-management-of-exposed-healthcare-workers-and-patients-in-hospital-settings/covid-19-management-of-exposed-healthcare-workers-and-patients-in-hospital-settings>

Positive Test Result

Self-isolate and stay at home for the duration of the illness or 10 days, whichever is longer.

After a minimum of the 10 days, and 48 hours of being free of fever (<37.8C) they can return to work.

Coughing may persist for several weeks in some people, despite the coronavirus having cleared.

Persistent cough alone does not mean staff must continue to self-isolate for more than 10-days from onset of symptoms.

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