## COVID-19 EXCLUSION GUIDANCE
### Decision Tree for Symptomatic Individuals in Schools & Childcare Programs

Send home or deny entry if **ANY** of the following symptoms are present: fever (100.4°F or higher); new onset or worsening cough; or shortness of breath

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<td>Lab confirmed COVID-19 c</td>
<td>Clinically diagnosed COVID-19 *c</td>
<td>Alternate clinical diagnosis or laboratory confirmed condition (e.g., norovirus, hand/foot/mouth) d</td>
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<td>MDH will provide instructions to the individual &amp; household contacts about when it is safe to return to work/school</td>
<td>Stay home at least 7 days or for 3 days with no fever &amp; improvement of respiratory symptoms – whichever is longer</td>
<td>Follow provider directions/recommended treatment &amp; return guidance</td>
<td>Follow the Infectious Diseases in Childcare Settings and Schools Manual (<a href="https://www.hennepin.us/daycaremanual">https://www.hennepin.us/daycaremanual</a>)</td>
<td>Other symptoms not consistent with COVID-19 (diarrhea, vomiting, rash only) d</td>
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* Siblings & household members also stay home for 14 days

© (Green box) = COVID-19
d (Blue box) = Other symptoms

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