The following are useful questions to consider when a staff member or resident tests positive to COVID-19 to help determine where any possible infection risk may lie for the Care Home and for the Residents and Team.

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| Question | Answer |
| When did the staff member/resident test positive? |  |
| Was the staff member symptomatic prior to getting the positive test? |  |
| If staff – when did they last work – date and what shift? |  |
| Was the staff member a vigilant mask wearer? |  |
| At what time did you find out this information? |  |
| Did the staff member share meals with other staff members? |  |
| What area of the Care Home did they work in? |  |
| Did they have any contact in or around the Care Home with other departments or Cohorts? |  |
| Since the exposure or test result how many shifts have they worked at the Care Home? |  |
| How long were other staff or residents exposed to them? |  |
| Was it close exposure – i.e. for long periods of time, or with mask off? |  |
| Are the people they were exposed to well? Any signs or symptoms of Covid-19? |  |
| Is the staff member well and free from any Signs or Symptoms of Covid-19? |  |
| Does the staff member catch up with any fellow work colleagues or staff working in other Facilities outside of work? When did they last have contact with them? |  |
| If tested positive outside work has this been entered into my COVID record? |  |
| How is the resident’s RAT test being recorded in their clinical record? |  |
| If a resident – what level of care are they? |  |
| Are they vaccinated? Are they immunocompromised? |  |
| Has the positive resident been placed into Enhanced Precautions? |  |
| Does the resident wander or have they been in other areas of the facility or with other residents? |  |

Contact: Infection Prevention and Control (IP&C) or Gerontology Nurse Specialist Team (GNS) if any clinical questions.

Notify Planning and Funding(P&F) if IP&C or GNS Team not contacted.

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