

COVID19 FAQ

(The Gordon Tier 2 Exposure site 01/09/2021)



EXPOSURE SITE DETAILS

The Gordon TAFE - East Geelong Campus
(Building E, Level 1)
Boundary Road East Geelong VIC 3219
Exposure period 26/8/21, 8:00am-4:45pm

This location on the Gordon TAFE site
(including the toilet on Level 1 Building E)
has been identified as Tier 2 Exposure site.
No other locations on the Gordon TAFE site
pose any risk, including the canteen.

Tier 2 (or casual contacts) need to get
tested and isolate until they get a negative
result.

A very small number of people have been
advised they are **Primary Close Contacts**
as they attended a class with the positive
case.

Primary Close Contacts

One positive case and eight Primary
Close Contacts have been identified. All
have been notified and will know who
they are.

It is important that you get tested and
isolate.

If you are a primary close contact (in
the same class as the positive case)
you will need to isolate for 14 days.

If you test **positive**, you will receive
further guidance from the Barwon
Public Health Unit

**I used the toilet on level 1 of Building E
on the date of exposure, what should I
do?**

The toilet in this location has been
confirmed to be a Tier 2 exposure site. This
means that if you used the toilet on Level 1
of Building E, you must test and isolate
until you receive a negative result.

You are not a Primary Close Contact if you
used the toilet on Level 1 (and were not in
the same class as the positive case)

You should get a COVID-19 test and isolate
until you get a negative result.

**I've been identified as a Primary Close
Contact and had a test - what should I
do now?**

It is important that you remain at home in
isolation, regardless of your symptoms for
14 days or until advised otherwise.

If you test negative, you must still
complete the quarantine period specified
by the Department of Health. You will have
received a call from our team and will
continue to receive regular contact from
the Barwon Public Health Unit. They will
notify you when your isolation period ends.

**I live with others and I am a primary
close contact, do my housemates need
to get tested and isolate?**

Your housemates (household secondary
contacts) will also need to quarantine,

however they do not need to be tested unless they develop symptoms.

While you are living in the same house, all your household members need to continue quarantining until you are formally cleared by the Barwon Public Health Unit, this usually occurs on day 14 after exposure following a negative test result by the primary close contact on day 13.

If you need to discuss this further please speak to the Barwon Public Health Unit on 4215 3531.

How can I protect myself and my family while in isolation as a primary close contact?

Comprehensive information is available at:

<https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/what-do-if-you-are-close-contact>

Stay at home except to get urgent medical care: You should not leave your home, except to get urgent medical care. Do not go to work, school or public areas and do not use public transport or taxis/rideshare apps. If you cannot get to medical care safely in your own car, you should call an ambulance.

Separate yourself from other people in your home: As much as possible, you should stay in a different room from other people in your home and use a separate bathroom. You should not share dishes, drinking glasses, cups, eating utensils, towels, bedding or other items with other people in your home.

Call ahead before visiting your doctor: Before your medical appointment, call the healthcare provider and tell them that you have, or are being evaluated for COVID-19 infection.

Wear a facemask: You should wear a facemask if you absolutely need to access shared areas of the home. If you cannot wear a facemask, the people who live with

you should wear one while they are in the same room as you.

Cover your coughs and sneezes: Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, or cough or sneeze into your sleeve. Throw used tissues into a lined rubbish bin and immediately wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

Wash your hands: Wash your hands often and thoroughly with soap and water for 20 seconds or use alcohol-based hand sanitiser. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.

Clean high-touch surfaces: Clean all 'high touch' surfaces such as benchtops, tabletops, doorknobs, bathroom fixtures, toilets, phones, keyboards, tablets and bedside tables every day. Also, clean any surfaces that may have blood, body fluids and/or secretions on them.

Can my apprentice come to work if schooling is cancelled on Monday?

Yes - If they are not a Primary Close Contact, and have received a negative result and have no symptoms.

Does my apprentice have to test and isolate if not contacted by The Department?

If they were on-site at the date and time listed, but not in the same tutorial group as the positive case, they must get tested and isolate until they receive a negative result.

If they have been identified as a primary close contact, then they must get tested and isolate for 14 days.

Where can I find more information?

More information can be found at the Victorian Department of Health website:

www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au

www.barwonhealth.org.au/coronavirus