Q – If I travel to a quarantined state or province, do I have to quarantine for 14 days or can I shorten the 14-day period with a negative test?

A – You are required to quarantine for the full 14-day period. According to the State of NJ, if you are coming from an impacted state and get a COVID-19 test, you should still self-quarantine for 14 days. Even if you test negative, you are advised to self-quarantine for 14 days because you remain in the incubation period.

Q – If I test positive, will my results be shared?

A – The COVID-19 Response Team will need to communicate with the community if there is a positive case on campus. In addition, during the contract tracing efforts, the only information that will be shared is that they may have been in contact with someone who tested positive. We will assure your privacy and confidentiality throughout the process.

Q – What is the definition of a close contact?

A – A close contact is defined by CDC as someone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic cases, 2 days prior to positive specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated.

Q – What should secondary contacts do? I am not sick, but have been in close contact with someone who is under self-quarantine because they were in close contact with someone who tested positive?

A – Being a secondary contact does not require self-quarantine. However, you should continue to monitor your symptoms and if the person you were in close contact with tests positive, you should get tested and self-quarantine. If the person you were in close contact with tests positive, you will need to complete the COVID-19 Reporting form.