

# COVID-19 Contact Type Definitions

## Close Contact

- People who are identified as Close Contacts may live, work or have been in the same place at the same time as someone who is infectious with COVID-19 e.g. they have may traveled on a plane or attend the same school as someone who is a positive COVID-19 case.
- Any person who receives an orange Bluetooth notification via the NZ COVID Tracer app is considered a Close Contact. The notification will provide advice about what to do and it is important to follow these instructions.
- These people may also receive a yellow QR notification for a location of interest via the NZ COVID-19 Tracer App.
- Face-to-face contact in any setting within two metres of a case for 15 minutes or more.
- Having been in a closed environment (e.g. a classroom, hospital waiting room, or conveyance other than aircraft) within 2 metres of a case for 15 minutes or more; or in a higher-risk closed environment for 15 minutes or more as determined by the local Medical Officer of Health.

## Secondary contact

Secondary Contacts are household members of a Close Contact or Close Plus Contact.

If someone in your household or bubble has been asked to isolate because they were at a location of interest AND you are also unvaccinated, you are advised to stay at home until they receive a negative test result from their day 5 test. If this person becomes symptomatic after day 5, you need to stay at home or in your accommodation until they return another negative test result.

If you've been in contact with a person who has been asked to stay at home and get a test after five days, you do not need stay at home or get tested. Only unvaccinated people are considered secondary contacts.

## Casual Contact

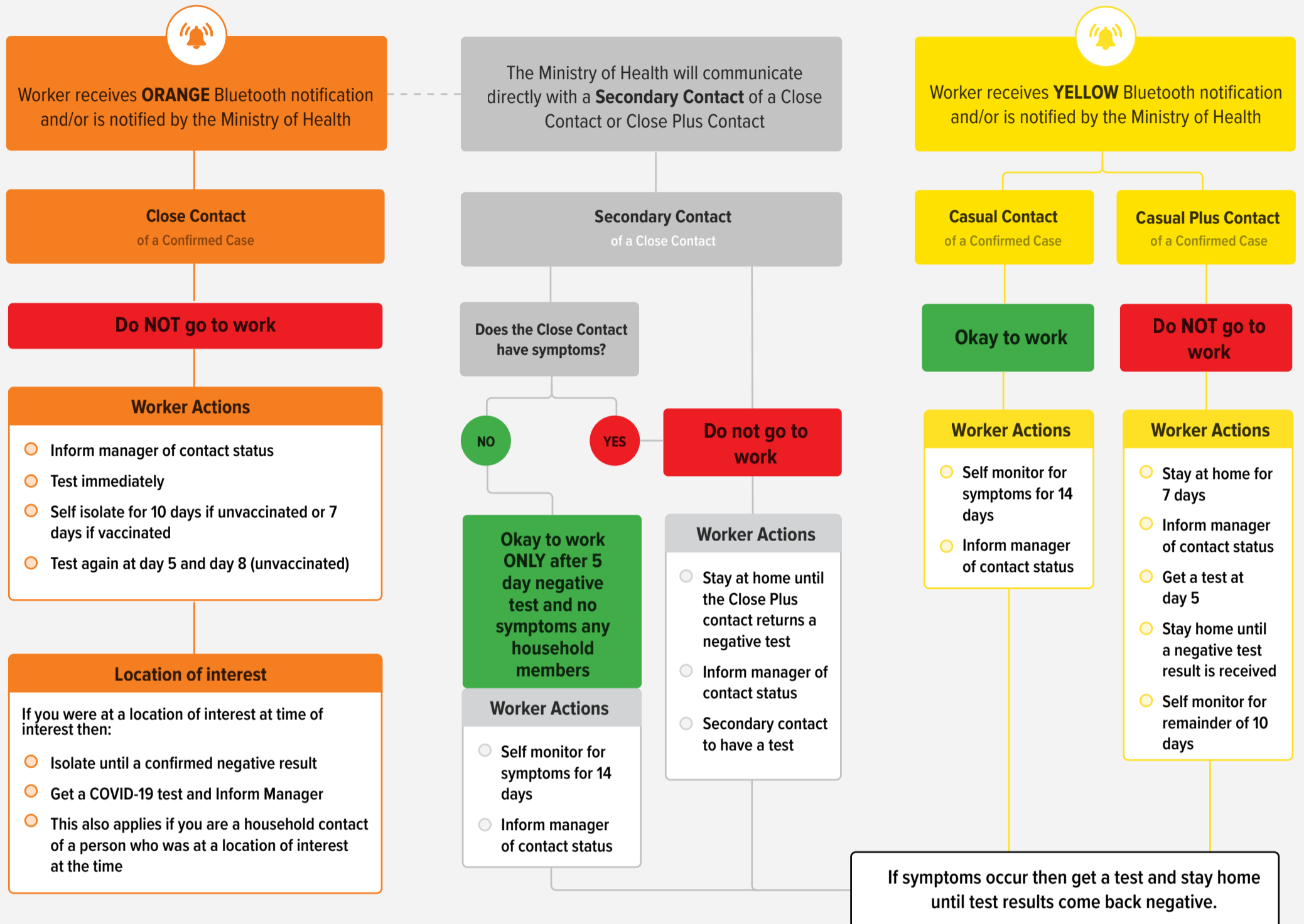
- Casual Contacts are people who have been in the same place at the same time as someone infectious with COVID-19 but may not have been near the infectious person. Casual Contacts are at lower risk of getting sick with COVID-19.
- These people may receive a yellow QR notification for a location of interest via the NZ COVID Tracer app. These people may also receive a yellow QR notification for a location of interest via the NZ COVID-19 Tracer App.
- The notification will provide advice about what to do and a link for more information.

## Casual Plus Contact

- Casual Plus Contacts are not fully vaccinated people and have been in the same place (Location of Interest) at the same time, near someone infectious with COVID-19.
- For Casual Plus Contacts, their contact was where there is higher risk for transmission than Casual contacts.
- These people may receive a yellow QR notification for a location of interest via the NZ COVID-19 Tracer App.
- The notification will provide advice about what to do and a link for more information.

# COVID-19 Contact Classification Process

## What the worker should do



## What to do on-site

Worker is **SELF MONITORING** or **SELF ISOLATING** but has **not tested positive**

- Communicate with and support the worker
- Respect their privacy
- Maintain hygiene standards on site
- Ensure all workers are well when coming to work

Worker is a **CONFIRMED CASE**

- Communicate with workers to advise them that they need to self-isolate for 14 days and await call/notification from local Public Health Unit or the Ministry of Health. If no call has been received after 48 hours, workers should contact Healthline.
- Workplace conducts deep cleaning and can continue to operate if safe to do so at an operational level.

For additional advice please contact Healthline on **0800 358 5453**

For up to date guidance visit the **Ministry of Health website**

For COVID testing information visit the **Health Point website**

*In all cases advice from public health officials will supersede the information provided in this flow chart*