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ENVIRONMENT**

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INTEGRATION INTO THE WORKPLACE (PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS) AFTER QUARANTINE OR ISOLATION FOR COVID-19

This guidance serves for any employee who was placed under quarantine or isolation by health authorities.

An employee may return to work if he or she meets the following criteria

- Completes the 14- or 21-day quarantine or isolation dictated by the Ministry of Health
- Has no respiratory symptoms such as fever, cough or shortness of breath for more than 72 hours
- If the employee was deemed a laboratory confirmed case of COVID19 he or she must have 2 negative tests in order to be declared cured and allowed to be integrated into the workforce.
- Employees should be asked to wear a surgical mask for one-week post quarantine/isolation.
- All precautionary measures should be kept (hand hygiene, physical distancing of 6 feet where possible, cleaning and disinfection of workspaces and bathrooms)
- **If a recovered employee or any other staff member develops respiratory symptoms once more:**
 - **Mild symptoms:** ask the person to maintain mask while accessing private transport to their homes. The employee can then contact his or her physician or the nearest health centre by telephone.
 - **Severe symptoms** (such as shortness of breath): place the employee in a single room if possible and call the COVID-19 Hotline 5344325 for assistance. Do not transport the person to a health facility.

Please note that this document may be revised at any time at the discretion of the Health Services Subcommittee of the National Emergency Committee/COVID-19 Task Force, Ministry of Health, Wellness and the Environment.

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