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TO:

If individuals develop a fever or start to feel worse, they should stay home and away from others again. They should use the same criteria for returning to normal activities as when they first had symptoms and take added precautions over the next 5 days.

These changes described above **DO NOT** pertain to individuals working in healthcare settings. Healthcare facilities should continue to follow the CDC's [Interim Guidance for Managing Healthcare Personnel with SARS-CoV-2 Infection or Exposure to SARS-CoV-2 | CDC](#) and [Strategies to Mitigate Healthcare Personnel Staffing Shortages](#). Transition from conventional to contingency to crisis staffing strategies should be based on ability to provide essential services, as determined by the facility. Also see: https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2023/02/doh-hcw_rtw_advisory_11_30_22.pdf.

This document supersedes previous guidance on return to normal activities after testing positive for COVID-19 for non-healthcare settings.

Questions about this guidance may be addressed to the Bureau of Communicable Disease Control at bcdc@health.ny.gov or call 518-473-4439.