

COVID-19 COMMUNICATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

Coronavirus Protection Program for People in Housing Crisis

Do you have any of these symptoms?

Chills *New Loss of*
Headache *Taste or Smell*
Sore Throat *Fever*
Muscle Pain *Difficulty* *Cough*
 Breathing *Diarrhea*



If you have any of these symptoms, you need to seek medical care right away. Call your doctor or Piedmont Health Services to schedule an appointment, 919-951-7600.

Orange County has created the Coronavirus Protection Program to help people who are:

- Living unsheltered
- Staying in a homeless shelter
- Living unstably with friends or family/ couch surfing/doubled up
- Living in a place not meant for human habitation, like a car, shed, or tent
- Anyone unable to safely return to their housing



If you have had close contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19

- Get tested six days after your last contact with the person who tested positive
- If you do not have health insurance, contact Piedmont Health Services, 919-951-7600
- Find testing sites: <https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/about-covid-19/testing/find-my-testing-place>
- Stay home until 14 days after last exposure
- Maintain social distance (at least 6 feet) from others at all times
- Self-monitor for symptoms
 - Check temperature twice a day
 - Watch for fever, cough, or shortness of breath, or other symptoms of COVID-19
- Avoid contact with people at higher risk for COVID-19



What's involved with the program?

People who are experiencing homelessness and have symptoms of COVID-19 and are waiting on test results OR who have a positive COVID-19 test will be helped to receive

- medical care
- hotel stay
- meals
- someone to check in on you to help with other needs
- transportation as needed



To prevent more people potentially getting sick, program participants will be asked to

- Stay mainly in their rooms
- Potentially give info about people they've been in contact with recently
- Remain in the program until they are cleared to leave by medical providers, usually within days with a negative test or weeks with a positive test



Why does Orange County have this program?

- To help people access needed medical care
- To prevent other people from contracting COVID-19
- To provide space and resources needed for people who are sick to get better
 - If someone has a **positive** COVID-19 test, they will be asked to stay in the hotel until their symptoms are not present for 2+ days
 - If someone has a **negative** COVID-19 test, they will be provided transportation back to a place of their choosing.

