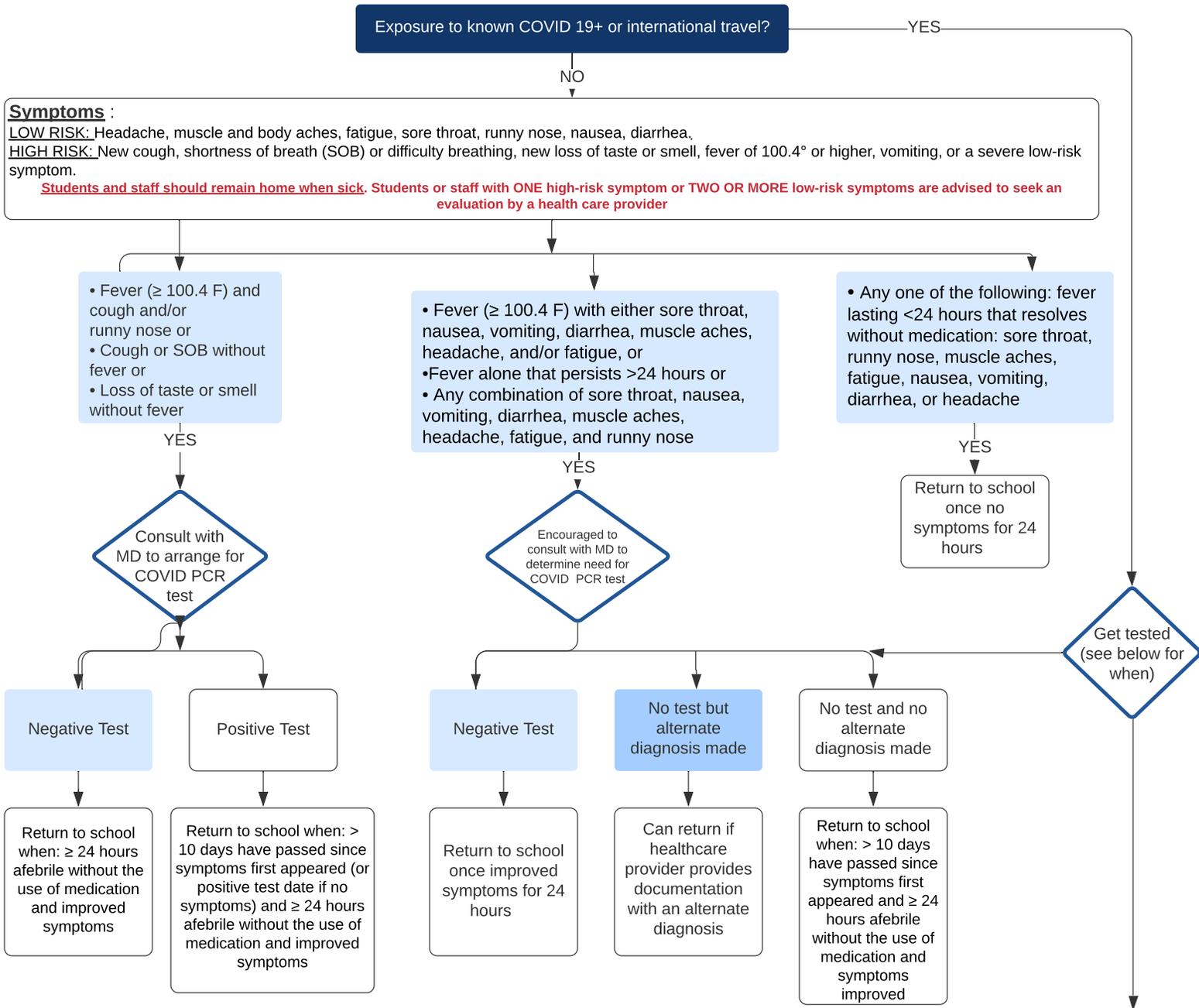




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The below pathway is a guidance tool and not intended to replace a clinician's judgement. Preexisting medical conditions should also be considered. Diagnosis and treatment should be under the supervision of a qualified healthcare provider.



The definition of a close contact is a person who has spent at least 15 minutes (within 24 hours) within 6 feet of a person diagnosed with COVID-19 during their infectious period, or a direct exposure to possibly infected droplets of saliva or nasal mucus (e.g., being sneezed on or coughed on in the face). CDC has created an exception to this definition specifically for students solely in the classroom setting. For students in a classroom setting exposed to another student, if both the case and contacts are all consistently and correctly wearing masks, the definition of close contact is spending a total of 15 minutes (within 24 hours) within 3 feet of a student with COVID-19. This exception ONLY applies to students in the classroom setting who are also wearing masks. It does not apply to adults, nor to students outside the classroom setting.

**Fully vaccinated (or COVID positive in last 90 days) students and staff** do not need to quarantine from work, sports, or other activities provided they remain asymptomatic. They should wear a mask until a negative PCR test is done (at day 5-7 from exposure) or 14 days without a test. Lunch and mask breaks need be done in a separate area. \*\*\*

**Unvaccinated (and not COVID positive in last 90 days) students and staff** Need to quarantine for 10 days. It is recommended they get a PCR on day 5 after exposure. If the test comes back negative, the quarantine can end on day 8 if asymptomatic. \*\*\* If they do not test a 14 day quarantine is recommended.

**ATHLETES:** Unvaccinated asymptomatic athletes who are a close contact need to quarantine for 10 days (with a negative test on **day 8** or later) or 14 days without a test. Athletes who test positive will need to have a MD note to return to sports and a return to play completed per CIAC.

\*\*\*Daily Symptom checking should continue through day 14 for all quarantines. Current test accepted is a PCR by a lab.

Please refer to <https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/COVID-19/Addendum-5-Interim-Guidance-for-Responding-to-COVID-19-Scenarios-in-CT-School-Districts.pdf>