COE Building Protocols for Covid-affected Personnel

This protocol applies to labs visited by individuals who exhibit Covid symptoms* or have been Covid exposed before entry to labs and have reported this information to supervisors.

The Possibly Infected Individual Should:

1. Contact Student Health Service (students) or Physician (other staff) and Schedule Covid Test¹,²
2. Stay home until test results received
3. If positive, report to supervisor (i) date of initial symptoms/exposure (ii) times present in EII labs and (iii) any close contacts³ made while in the laboratory
4. Quarantine / Isolate per the Health Care Provider and CDC guidelines before returning to laboratory⁴

¹ http://studenthealth.sa.ucsb.edu
² https://www.ucsb.edu/COVID-19-information/reporting#resource-list
³ CDC: Someone within 6 ft of an infected person for at least 15 minutes starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated

*COVID symptoms are considered a change in health including but not limited to, fever, and/or, change in taste and/or smell, and/or, cough, and/or, generalized aches and pains

The Faculty PI / Lab Manager Should:

1. Check with Individual for date of initial symptoms/exposure and for close contacts⁴ during their time in EII. Check lab booking calendars.
2. Notify Department Chair and relevant Building Committee of Incident Details (building@cnsi.ucsb.edu, bioe_building@bioengineering.ucsb.edu, mrlbuilding@mrl.ucsb.edu, E2building@engineering.ucsb.edu, ESBbuilding@engineering.ucsb.edu, HFHbuilding@engineering.ucsb.edu)
3. Wait 24 h., or as long as possible, before disinfecting the affected space. Notify users to wait until (time) before disinfecting/using this space”. Post signs if possible.
4. Notify Campus Covid Advisor of any positive test results: ucsb-covid19@ucsb.edu or 805-893-3113