1 ISOLATION PROCEDURE PREREQUISITES AND TERMINOLOGY

Isolating Student: Designation for a student who is being tested for COVID-19, has received a positive result on a COVID-19 test, has been in close contact to a positive COVID-19 patient, has symptoms consistent with COVID-19 but will not be tested, or is ordered to isolate/quarantine by medical professional, the University, or SD Department of Health.

Isolation Space: Room designated for isolation. Rooms with private bathrooms will be used for individuals with positive COVID-19 test results.

Cohabitants: All roommates who share a bedroom or live in a study quad, suite, or apartment

Self-Monitoring: Student monitors themselves for symptoms. This includes a temperature check twice daily and remaining alert for a cough or difficulty breathing.

Prior requirements to accommodate anticipated COVID-19 preparations and responses

A. Student Waiver/HIPPA release for COVID-19 test results to the Dean of Students
B. Addendum to the Housing Agreement
C. Student Handbook revisions

2 PROCEDURAL SUMMARY

If any the below are true for any residential student, the subsequent isolation protocol will be enacted.

I. Student experiences COVID-19 symptoms as identified by the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) agency
II. Student has a pending or confirmed COVID-19 test based on symptoms or contact with positive COVID-19 individual
III. Student has been exposed to someone with a positive COVID-19 test

Notification to the University

A. Initial report:
   a) If reported to any staff member, that staff member will notify the Dean of Students.
   b) If a test result is reported by SD Department of Health or medical professional, notification will be directed to the Dean of Students.

B. Residence Life or Dean of Students designee will obtain the following information:
   a) The student’s contact information and location,
b) If a physician has been contacted,
c) If the student has been tested for COVID-19 and any results of said test,
d) Date of symptom onset and/or close contact with COVID-19 positive individual (if known),
e) Other with whom close contact was shared in the previous 14 days

C. Dean of Students will notify appropriate parties including:
   a) Residence Life Staff
   b) Emergency Response Team

Conditions for students in isolation

- Point of contact:
  - Residence Life while in campus housing
  - Dean of Students if staying off campus
- Practice distancing, reduce contact with as many individuals as possible (no visitors)
- Self-monitor for symptoms with daily reporting
- Online coursework
- All cohabitants isolate
- No visitors to assigned room
- Use of cloth mask: when room door is open and in shared spaces accessible to non-cohabitants
- Services provided: meal delivery and trash removal
- If in housing that requires use of communal restroom, will do so but sanitize all contact points

Additional conditions for COVID-19 positive students in isolation

- No contact with non-cohabitants, must remain in assigned space
- All cohabitants quarantine
- Laundry coordination
- Item Delivery: mail, packages, coursework, essential items

Discontinuation of isolation

A student’s isolation or quarantine will end when criteria set by local, state, and/or CDC guidelines are met.

Students who has been exposed a COVID-19 positive person (CDC):
  • At least 14 days after the date of exposure

COVID-19 Positive Isolation Discontinuation Guidance (SD Board of Health):
  Symptom-based strategy
  • At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared, AND
• At least 3 days (72 hours) have passed since recovery, defined as:
  o Resolution of fever, without the use of fever-reducing medications, AND
  o Progressive improvement or resolution of respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath)

Test-based Strategy
• Resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications, AND
• Improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath), AND
• Negative results of an FDA Emergency Use Authorized COVID-19 molecular assay for detection of SARS-CoV-2 RNA from at least two consecutive nasopharyngeal swab specimens collected at least 24 hours apart (total of two negative specimens).

Considerations (see guidance for additional details)
For patients with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 who have not had any symptoms, medical providers might use either:
• Time-based Strategy
• Test-based Strategy

3 ISOLATION PROTOCOLS

The below protocols will be used to reduce the spread of COVID-19 while meeting student needs in the residence halls. Additional protocols will be used for interactions with students who had tested positive for COVID-19.

Protective measures
A. Any time a student opens the room/hallway door, a mask should be worn
B. Student should wipe down any areas of contact with the door, hallway walls, and exterior of door frame

Symptom monitoring and medical needs
A. Student will provide a daily update on symptoms via online platform
B. Student will coordinate with their medical care provider to discuss any care needs
C. In the event of a medical emergency/emergency warning signs for COVID-19:
   a) Student will contact 911 immediately
   b) Student will inform dispatch they have or are being evaluated for COVID-19
   c) Student will notify Residence Life/Public Safety to coordinate actions
D. Any required departure or quarantine or student with COVID-19 symptoms will follow travel protocols
Trash removal
A. Coordinate as needed with Residence Life
B. Leave tied bag outside room door
C. Residence Life or Facilities staff with mask and sanitization will dispose of trash

Laundry services - no dry clean/special care items
A. Coordinate as needed with Residence Life
B. Leave tied bag with dirty items outside room door
C. Residence Life will coordinate service with local laundry service and return items outside the room door in a tied bag once complete
D. Cost of laundry will be paid for by student

Meal delivery – Dining Services
A. Student will be required to coordinate all meals with Dining using an online order
B. Meal will be prepared and delivered outside room
C. Student will dispose of any waste in the room, to be taken out with other trash removal

Essential item needs & delivery
A. Mail, packages, assignments, and other items on campus can be delivered. The student is responsible for coordinating those needs with those in possession of the items (faculty, family, friends) and Residence Life
B. For items that must be purchased from a store, the student must create an itemized list with costs and provide to Residence Life. Residence Life will coordinate the purchase of those essential items

COVID-19 Positive student movement on campus - move-in/out and medical reasons only
A. Residence Life and Facilities staff will be contacted prior to student travel
B. Coordination to provide entry/exit from the building and fog/sanitize hallways and spaces traveled through
C. All staff involved and student wear masks
D. Nearest entrances and exits will be used with staff unlocking/unalarming emergency exits as needed

COVID-19 Positive housing accommodations if applicable
A. If in a space using a community restroom, student and cohabitants will be relocated to Isolation Space with private restroom
B. If no private restroom space is available, alternate isolate spaces may be utilized
C. If multiple cases with the same quarantine timeline are present and no additional quarantine spaces are available, positive COVID-19 students may be placed together as needed
D. Wings of a building may be converted to Quarantine with a bathroom being re-designated

COVID-19 Positive student retrieval of needed items from housing assignment
A. If student is in room or wishes to move their own items
   a. Laundry cart delivered to student by Residence Life staff
   b. Student loads cart with needed items and travels with cart to destination while wearing PPE
   c. Cart is emptied and left outside the room to be sanitized
   d. Hallways through which the student has passed through and old room is fogged
B. If student is not in room
   a. Room is fogged
   b. Staff take a cart and collect a predetermined list of items from room while wearing PPE
   c. Staff delivers cart to quarantine room, allowing student to take cart
   d. Cart is emptied and left outside destination to be sanitized