

Re-testing and isolation advice for recovered cases (new symptoms or re-exposure)

- Advise patients who have recovered from COVID-19 and develop new acute symptoms that if:
 - they are within 12 weeks of release from isolation with new acute respiratory symptoms they should stay home until their symptoms have resolved or they are otherwise advised by their treating health practitioner. Re-testing is not routinely advised but consider arranging [COVID-19 testing](#) if a diagnosis will inform clinical management (e.g., in those who may benefit from COVID-19 drug treatments).
 - at least 12 weeks have passed since their release from isolation, they will need to [re-test for COVID-19](#) and follow [WA testing and isolation protocols](#).
- Advise patients who have recovered from COVID-19 and are re-exposed to a positive COVID-19 case:
 - within 12 weeks of their release from isolation, they will not be considered a close contact nor will they need to re-test for COVID-19 unless they are immunocompromised or symptomatic.
 - if at least 12 weeks have passed since their release from isolation and they have a re-exposure to COVID-19 that meets the [close contact definition](#) they will need to [re-test for COVID-19](#) and follow [WA testing and isolation protocols](#).