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Public health surveillance for COVID-19: interim guidance, 22 July 2022 (WHO/2019-nCoV/SurveillanceGuidance/2022.2)

Page 24, lines 17-18

Delete: Epidemiological criteria:

1. Contact of a probable or confirmed case or linked to a COVID-19 cluster²

Insert: <u>Epidemiological criteria</u>²:

1. Contact of a probable or confirmed case or linked to a **COVID-19 cluster**³

Page 24, line 23

Delete: With a positive professional use or self-test SARS-CoV-2 antigen-RDT³

Insert: With a positive professional use or self-test SARS-CoV-2 antigen-RDT⁴

Page 24, lines 25-28

Delete: A. A patient who meets clinical criteria above AND is a contact of a

probable or confirmed case or is linked to a COVID-19 cluster²

B. Death, not otherwise explained, in an adult with respiratory distress preceding death **AND** who was a contact of a probable or confirmed case or

linked to a COVID-19 cluster²

Insert: A. A patient who meets clinical criteria above AND is a contact of a

probable or confirmed case or is linked to a COVID-19 cluster³

B. Death, not otherwise explained, in an adult with respiratory distress preceding death **AND** who was a contact of a probable or confirmed case or

linked to a COVID-19 cluster³

Page 24, line 34

Delete: With a positive professional use or self-test SARS-CoV-2 Antigen-RDT³

Insert: With a positive professional use or self-test SARS-CoV-2 antigen-RDT⁴

Page 24, lines 39-47 (footnotes)

Delete:

² A group of symptomatic individuals linked by time, geographic location and common exposures, containing at least **one NAAT-confirmed** case or at least **two** epidemiologically linked, symptomatic (meeting clinical criteria of suspect case definition A or B) persons with **positive Ag-RDTs performed by a trained operator OR as a self-test** (based on ≥97% specificity of test and desired >99.9% probability of at least one positive result being a true positive).

³ Antigen-detection rapid diagnostic tests (Ag-RDT) are available for use by trained professionals or for self-testing by individuals:

- **Professional use SARS-CoV-2 antigen-RDT:** WHO EUL approved Ag-RDT, in which sample collection, test performance and result interpretation are done by a trained operator.
- **Self-test SARS-CoV-2 antigen-RDT:** WHO EUL approved Ag-RDT in which sample collection, test performance and result interpretation are done by individuals by themselves.

Insert:

- ² In light of the heightened transmissibility of emerging variants and the high likelihood that any close contact could be infected, epidemiological criteria alone are included in order to qualify asymptomatic contacts for testing, when possible, for the countries with the capacity to adapt more sensitive testing strategies; this is particularly relevant in high-risk populations and settings
- ³ A group of symptomatic individuals linked by time, geographic location and common exposures, containing at least **one NAAT-confirmed** case or at least **two** epidemiologically linked, symptomatic (meeting clinical criteria of suspect case definition A or B) persons with **positive Ag-RDTs performed by a trained operator OR as a self-test** (based on ≥97% specificity of test and desired >99.9% probability of at least one positive result being a true positive).
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These corrections have been incorporated into the electronic file.