



**nCorona Virus Outbreak Control and Prevention State Cell  
Health & Family Welfare Department  
Government of Kerala**


**TESTING, QUARANTINE, HOSPITAL ADMISSION AND DISCHARGE CRITERIA FOR nCoV  
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<b>Category</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Symptomatic/ Asymptomatic for n CoV</b>	<b>Testing criteria</b>	<b>Admission/ Follow up</b>	<b>Discharge criteria (if applicable)</b>
<b>1.a</b>	A person who came to Kerala from <b>WUHAN</b> within last 14 days [after Jan 15 <sup>th</sup> 2020]	<b>Symptomatic</b>	Test for nCoV	Admit in Corona Isolation Unit- Severe (fever, Dyspnea /ARDS or other serious complications)- MCH, Less severe cases- GH/DH/THQH.	X ray negative and 2 samples 24 hrs apart are negative, and clinical decision  Ensure home isolation after discharge from Hospital till 28 days.
<b>1.b</b>	A person who came to Kerala from <b>WUHAN</b> within last 14 days	<b>Asymptomatic</b>	Test for nCoV	Strict Home Isolation. Re-classify if symptoms develop. Testing could be done at THQ/GH/DH/MCH	


2.a	A person who came to Kerala from <b>China- NOT WUHAN but within last 14 days</b>	<b>Symptomatic</b>	Test for nCoV	Admit in Corona Isolation Unit; Severe (Dyspnea, ARDS or other  Serious complications)- MCH, Less severe cases- GH/DH/THQH.	X ray negative and 2 samples 24 hrs apart are negative  and clinical  Decision. Ensure home isolation after discharge from Hospital till 28 days.
2.b	A person who came to Kerala from <b>China NOT WUHAN</b>	Asymptomatic	Testing deferred	Strict Home Quarantine Re-classify if symptoms develop	
3.a	A person who was exposed/came in <b>close contact with a CONFIRMED case</b>  <b>(contact as defined in guidelines; high risk and low risk)</b>	<b>Symptomatic</b>	Test for nCoV	Admit in Corona Isolation Unit: Severe (Dyspnoea, ARDS or other  Serious complications)- MCH, Less severe cases- GH/DH/THQH.	X ray negative and 2 samples 24 hrs apart are negative and clinical. Ensure home isolation for 28 days.  Decision
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4.a	A person who was exposed/came in <b>close contact with a suspected case</b>  <b>(contact as defined in guidelines; high risk and</b>	<b>Symptomatic</b>	Test for nCoV	Admit in Corona Isolation Unit: Severe (Dyspnoea,  ARDS or other  Serious complications)-	X ray negative and 2 samples 24 hrs apart are negative and clinical  Decision. Ensure home isolation



	<b>low risk*) within last 14 days</b>			MCH, Less severe cases- GH/DH/THQH.	after discharge from Hospital till 28 days based on source cases confirmation status.
<b>4.b</b>	A person who was exposed/came in <b>close contact with a suspected case</b>	Asymptomatic	Testing deferred	Avoid non-essential travel and community/social contact; Close monitoring for onset of fever/ other symptoms; Reclassify	
<b>5.a</b>	A person who has come <b>from a country reported to be affected with nCoV OTHER THAN CHINA</b> but no contact with the confirmed/suspected case in the country	<b>Symptomatic</b>	Test for nCoV	Strict Home Isolation	

5.b	A person who has come from a <b>country reported to be affected with nCoV OTHER THAN CHINA</b> but no contact with the conf/sus case in the country	Asymptomatic	Testing deferred	Avoid non-essential travel and community/social contact; Close monitoring for onset of fever/ other symptoms; reclassify Practice cough and sneeze hygiene and hand hygiene	
6.a	A person who came to Kerala from a <b>country where nCoV infection has not been reported as per WHO list</b>	Symptomatic	Testing deferred	Do NOT admit in corona isolation ward or any general ward. If admission required treat in separate room; with standard precautions to be taken.	
6.b	A person who came to Kerala from a <b>country infection has not been reported as per WHO list</b>	Asymptomatic	Testing deferred	No home quarantines. Close monitoring for onset of fever/ other symptoms; if becomes symptomatic manage as per 6.a	
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