



# Public Health

Communicable Disease and Emergency Management Division

## Mitigation Guidance for Long-term Care Communities

Boulder County Public Health will notify you when a trigger has occurred so you can initiate/implement your response.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Case in Denver Metro Area

**Trigger: Case in Denver Metro Area with Known, Contained Exposure** (For example: traveler from Italy gets sick, Public Health has identified and quarantined individuals who had contact with the traveler.)

1. Reinforce prevention messaging. Share [CDC prevention messages](#) in English and Spanish.
2. Maintain tight screening of visitors for illness and travel history.
3. Monitor the health staff and instruct those who feel ill to go home.
4. Protect personal protective equipment supplies.
5. Review and update Continuity of Operation Plans (COOP). Identify mission essential services and how to focus resources for escalating events.

### Spread of Cases in Denver Metro Area

**Trigger: Case in Denver Metro Area with Unknown, Uncontained Exposure**

(For example: traveler from Italy gets sick and attends public conference in Denver while sick and Public Health cannot identify all potentially exposed people.)

1. Place all residents with respiratory symptoms or fever in isolation area and test.
2. Restrict all visitors and develop alternatives for family communication.
3. Screen all staff for illness prior to shifts.
4. Protect personal protective equipment supplies.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Case in Boulder County

**Trigger: Case in Boulder County with Known Exposure**

1. Maintain tight screening of visitors for illness and travel history.
2. Monitor the health staff and instruct those who feel ill to go home.
3. Protect personal protective equipment supplies

### Case in Your Facility

**Trigger: Case in your facility**

1. Implement COOP plan.
2. Place all residents with respiratory symptoms or fever in isolation area and test.
3. Restrict all visitors and develop alternatives for family communication.
4. Screen all staff for illness prior to shifts.
5. Protect personal protective equipment supplies.

### Spread of Cases in Boulder County

**Trigger: Case in Boulder County with Unknown, Uncontained Exposure**

1. Restrict all visitors and develop alternatives for family communication.
2. Screen all staff for illness prior to shifts and instruct those who feel ill to go home.
3. Protect personal protective equipment supplies



### **Communitywide transmission in Boulder County**

#### **Trigger: Community-wide Transmission in Boulder County, Regardless of Geographical Location**

1. Place all residents with respiratory symptoms or fever in isolation area and test.
2. Restrict all visitors and develop alternatives for family communication.
3. Screen all staff for illness prior to shifts.
4. Protect personal protective equipment supplies.

Learn more about Community Mitigation Strategies at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/community-mitigation-strategy.pdf>