

COVID 19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMITTEE

WHO COVID-19: CASE DEFINITIONS

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SUSPECTED COVID-19 CASE

A person who meets the clinical AND epidemiological criteria:

1. Clinical Criteria:

Acute onset of fever AND cough

OR

Acute onset of ANY THREE OR MORE of the following signs or symptoms: Fever, cough, general weakness/fatigue, headache, myalgia, sore throat, coryza, dyspnoea, anorexia/nausea/vomiting, diarrhoea, altered mental status.

AND

2. Epidemiological Criteria:

Residing or working in an area with high risk of transmission of virus: closed residential settings, humanitarian settings such as camp and camp-like settings for displaced persons; anytime within the 14 days prior to symptom onset;

OR

Residing or travel to an area with community transmission anytime within the 14 days prior to symptom onset;

OR

Working in any health care setting, including within health facilities or within the community; any time within the 14 days prior of symptom onset.

NOTE:

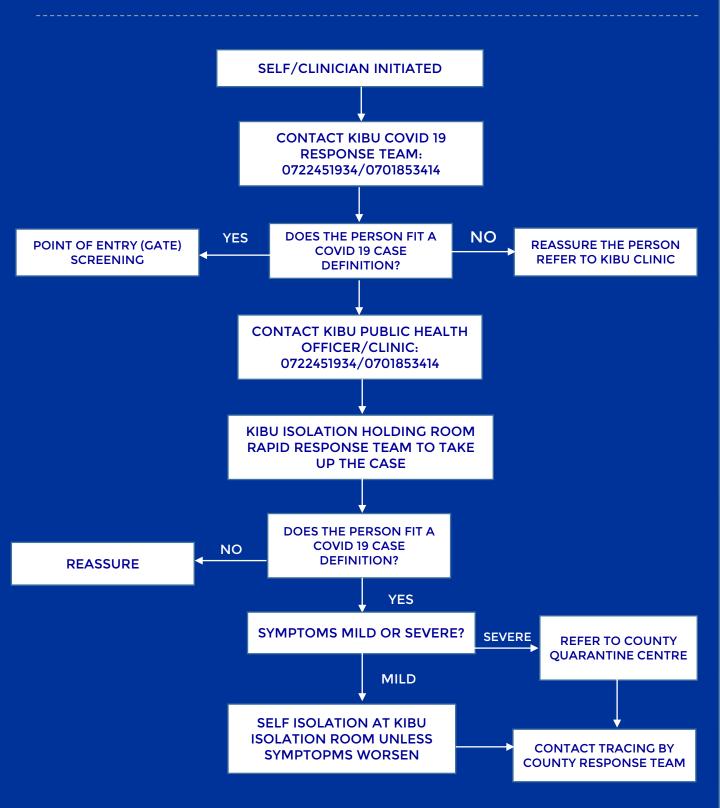
A patient with severe acute respiratory illness (SARI: acute respiratory infection with history of fever or measured fever of \geq 38 C°; and cough; with onset within the last 10 days; and requires hospitalization).

SUSPECTED COVID-19 CASE = CLINICAL CRITERIA + EPIDEMIOLOGICAL CRITERIA





GUIDELINES ON WHAT TO DO INCASE OF SUSPISCION OF INFECTION





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