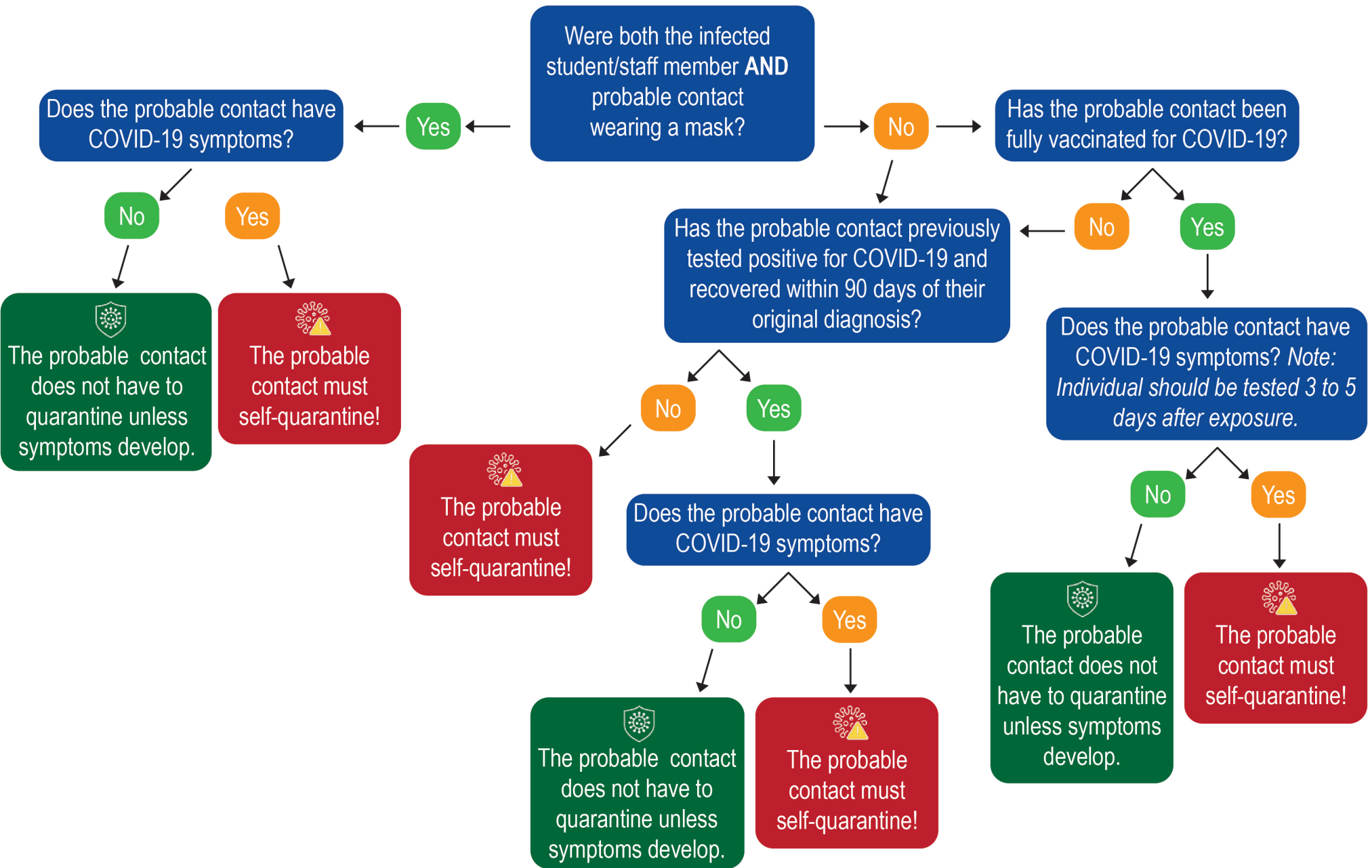


Quarantine Requirements

Follow the decision tree below to determine if a student/staff member is required to self-quarantine following exposure to a fellow student/staff member.



No quarantine is required if:

- Both the infected student/staff member and probable close contact were wearing a mask and the probable close contact is not experiencing symptoms; or
- The probable close contact is vaccinated and not experiencing symptoms (*Note: Individuals should be tested 3 to 5 days after exposure*); or
- The probable close contact has had COVID-19 and recovered within 90 days of their diagnosis and is not experiencing symptoms.

Quarantine is required if:

- Either the infected student/staff member or the probable close contact were not wearing a mask and the probable contact is not vaccinated nor has the probable contact had COVID-19 within the past 90 days; or
- The probable close contact is vaccinated and experiencing symptoms; or
- The probable close contact has had COVID-19 and recovered within 90 days of their diagnosis and is experiencing symptoms.

According to the Arkansas Department of Health guidance regarding length of quarantine:

14 days

The incubation of the virus that causes COVID-19 is up to 14 days. Therefore the safest quarantine period would last **14 days** from the most recent exposure to the positive patient.

10 days

Quarantine can end after **10 days** without testing if no symptoms have occurred.

7 days

Quarantine can end after **7 days** if no symptoms have occurred and a test returned a negative result. *Note that the test sample must have been collected no sooner than five 24-hour periods after exposure. Send-off PCR tests are preferred, but rapid PCR or antigen tests are acceptable.*

Information provided by the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education 2021-2022 COVID-19 Guidance for Schools and the Arkansas Department of Health COVID-19 Guidance for Self Home Quarantine.