

Prevent the spread of infection by maintaining high standards of hygiene, including hand washing and regular cleaning and disinfection of surfaces. This will help prevent COVID-19, as well as other infectious diseases, spreading in schools.

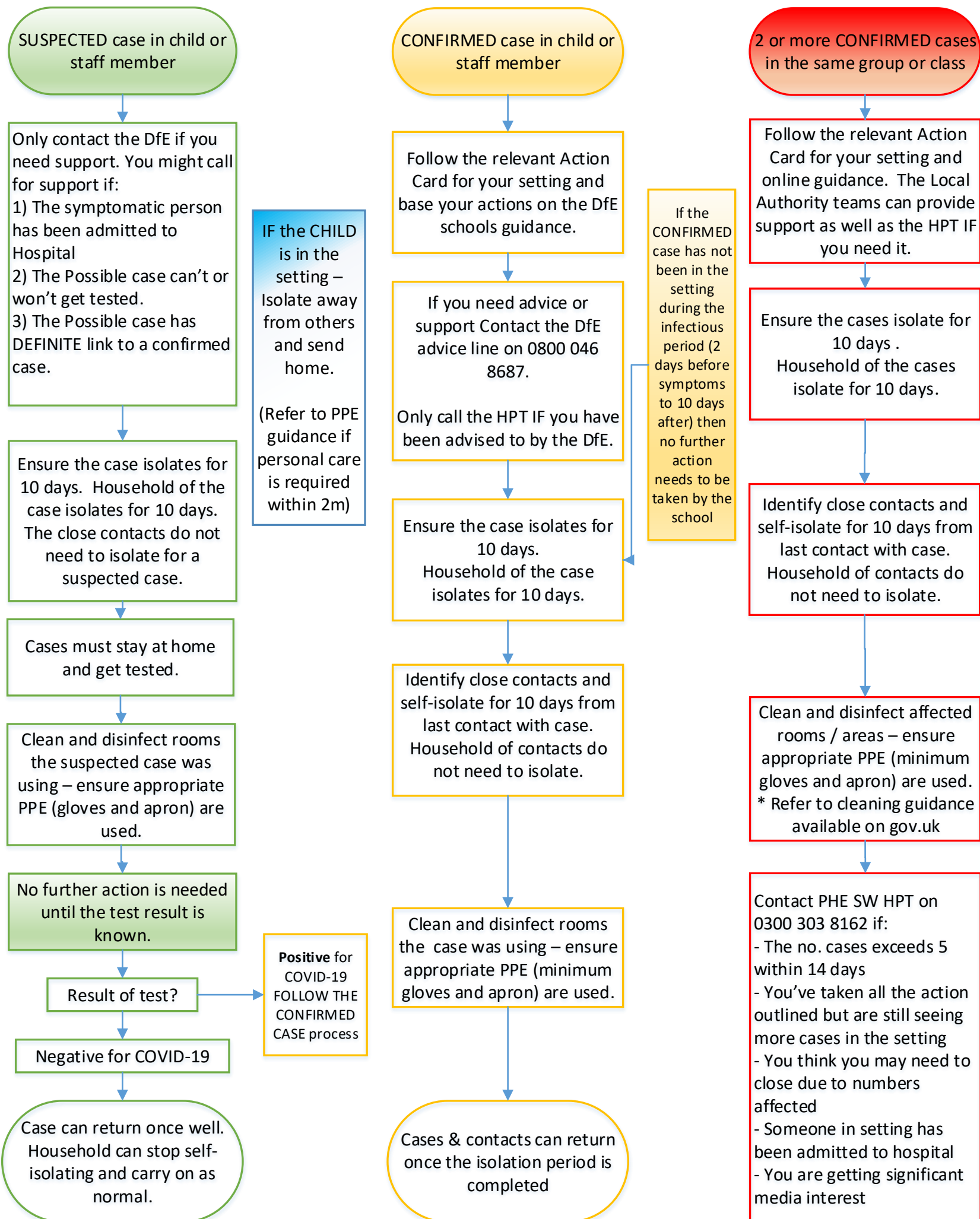
If you have any infection control concerns or questions please call the **Department for Education (DfE) advice line on 0800 046 8687**.

You should only call the HPT on 0300 303 8162 if advised to do so by the Dept. for Education advice line or if you meet the criteria in the guidance below. The HPT do not need to be notified unless you meet the criteria.

GUIDANCE: Visit <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

The action card for your setting can be found here: <https://coronavirusresources.phe.gov.uk/reporting-an-outbreak/resources/Education-Action-Cards/>

FOR TESTING: Visit nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test or call 119.



COVID-19 Case Definition: (as of 18/05/20)

- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough
- A loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste

INFECTIOUS PERIOD:

Two days before the onset of symptoms to 10 days after onset.
IF case has no symptoms but a positive test, it is two days prior to test

Cleaning:
For detailed guidance refer to the guidance on gov.uk:

Routine measures during COVID-19 pandemic should already be to outbreak standard.

PPE should be worn for cleaning – minimum gloves and disposable apron. Consider using face mask and eye protection if risk is high – ie. Cleaning areas where there are visible bodily fluids.

Public areas (e.g. corridors – clean as normal)

Surfaces that could be contaminated need cleaning and disinfection.

All frequently touched surfaces (door handles, taps, table tops, keyboards etc.) should also be cleaned and disinfected.

Use disposable cloths or paper roll, disposable mop heads to clean hard surfaces (e.g. floors, sanitary fittings, chairs, tables)

Use a combined detergent and disinfectant or use a two-stage cleaning process of detergent (household type cleaner) followed by a hypochlorite solution (1000ppm) e.g. diluted Milton. [Check chemicals in use are effective against enveloped viruses]

Avoid splashes and spray when cleaning where possible.

Waste: Any COVID-19 related waste should be double-bagged and stored for 72 hours before usual disposal.

Five key principles

