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REF A CHANGE 1 TO SUPPLEMENTAL GUIDANCE (2) TO MANDATORY COVID-19 VACCINATION OF MARINE CORPS ACTIVE AND RESERVE COMPONENTS//
REF B IS THE MARFORRES FRAGO - 11 MANDATORY COVID-19 VACCINATION FOR DOD SERVICE//
REF C IS SUPPLEMENTAL GUIDANCE (2) TO MANDATORY COVID-19 VACCINATION OF MARINE CORPS ACTIVE AND RESERVE COMPONENTS//
REF D IS SUPPLEMENTAL GUIDANCE TO MANDATORY COVID-19 VACCINATION OF MARINE CORPS ACTIVE AND RESERVE COMPONENTS//
REF E IS FORCE HEALTH PROTECTION (FHP) SUPPLEMENT PROVIDING GUIDANCE ON COVID-19 TESTING FOR ELIGIBLE PERSONS SUSPECTED OF HAVING CONTRACTED COVID-19, AND APPLIES CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC) TESTING GUIDANCE IN THE DOD CONTEXT//
REF F IS THE UPDATE ON TOOLS TO MITIGATE THE THREAT OF THE OMICRON VARIANT OF CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-I9) IN THE DOD//
REF G IS FORCE HEALTH PROTECTION GUIDANCE (SUPPLEMENT 18) - DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE GUIDANCE FOR PROTECTING ALL PERSONNEL IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE WORKPLACES DURING THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 PANDEMIC//

ATT/1/DOC/Force Health Protection Guidance (Supplement 15) Revision 3 - Department of Defense Guidance for Coronavirus Disease 2019 Laboratory Testing Services
ATT/2/DOC/Tools to Mitigate the Threat of the Omicron Variant of Coronavirus Disease 2019 in the Department of Defense

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1. Updates to Marine Corps guidance via reference (a) drives modification of reference (b). The following paragraphs are hereby added. All other requirements remain in effect.

2. Isolation Requirements.

2.A. If laboratory positive: Regardless of vaccination status, the individual becomes a COVID-19 case and must be isolated.

2.A.1. The individual will stay isolated for 5 days (day 0 is the day of specimen collection).

2.A.2. The individual may leave isolation after 5 days, if no symptoms are present or if they are afebrile for more than 24 hours and any remaining symptoms are resolved. Mask wearing must continue for 5 days after leaving isolation when around others, even if mask wearing is not otherwise required by DoD guidance.

2.A.3. If fever, shortness of breath, or severe fatigue start or persist, the individual will stay isolated until these symptoms resolve.

2.A.4. A negative test is not required to discontinue isolation due to difficulty interpreting persistent positive results. This is consistent with CDC's recommendation to NOT test during the 90-day period following initial diagnosis. This applies to all viral testing methodologies, including antigen testing.

2.B. If laboratory negative: The individual should be followed to ensure he/she clinically improves.

2.B.1. If laboratory negative and asymptomatic or clinically improved: The individual has no restrictions.

2.B.2. If laboratory negative and the individual does NOT clinically improve or worsens, and no other etiology is found, then consider re-testing the individual for COVID-19.

3. Quarantine Requirements.

3.A. When the close contact is an individual vaccinated with an FDA licensed or authorized COVID-19 vaccine, quarantine is required unless the individual has: (1) received an FDA licensed or authorized COVID-19 booster dose; or (2) it has been less than 6 months since completion of the primary series with an mRNA vaccine (i.e., Pfizer-BioNTech/Comirnaty or Moderna); or (3) it has been less than 2 months since receiving a Johnson and Johnson COVID-19 vaccine dose as a primary vaccination. Regardless of vaccination status, close contacts must wear a mask around others for 10 days, even if mask wearing is not otherwise required by DoD guidance, and if practical, test on day 3-5 following exposure. If symptoms develop, then the individual must get tested and isolate

until test results are complete.

3.B. Close contact individuals who are not fully vaccinated must quarantine for 5 days. The individual should wear a mask at all times when around other individuals, regardless of those individuals' vaccination status, and even if mask wearing is not otherwise required by DoD guidance. Testing should occur on day 3-5 after exposure, if practical. If no symptoms develop, quarantine may end after 5 days, but the individual must continue to wear a mask around others for an additional 5 days (i.e., masks must be worn for a total of 10 days after exposure, to include the time in quarantine). If any symptoms develop at any time, the individual should be tested for COVID-19 and advised to isolate.

3.C. Exceptions to the above protocols for asymptomatic unvaccinated personnel whose presence is required in the workplace may be considered in accordance with reference (g).

3.D. In all situations, for a full 10 days after last contact with a confirmed case, Service members must continue to self-monitor, and practice strict adherence to all non-pharmaceutical intervention mitigation strategies, and, if not fully vaccinated, wear masks that meet specifications in DoD guidance 6, avoid crowds and practice physical distancing, hand and cough hygiene, maintain adequate indoor ventilation, and perform environmental cleaning and disinfection. In addition, Service members located outside the United States identified as close contacts must follow host-nation policies, as applicable.

4. Reporting Procedures.

4.A. Fully vaccinated personnel break-through COVID-19 cases.

4.A.1. Per Headquarters Marine Corps COVID-19 Cell (MC3), neither fully vaccinated personnel breakthrough cases nor fully vaccinated close contacts who test positive for COVID-19 no longer require an OPREP-3 report through the chain of command to Headquarters Marine Corps (HQMC).

4.A.2. COMMARFORRES no longer requires a CCIR for the above.

4.A.3. Commands are to maintain awareness of their assigned personnel and their recovery.

5. A consolidated FRAGO that combines all previous FRAGO guidance that remains applicable coupled with new guidance is forthcoming due to the fluid nature of COVID-19.

6. Mr. Paul Pratt, MARFORRES Deputy AC/S G-3/5 approved this message for release.

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