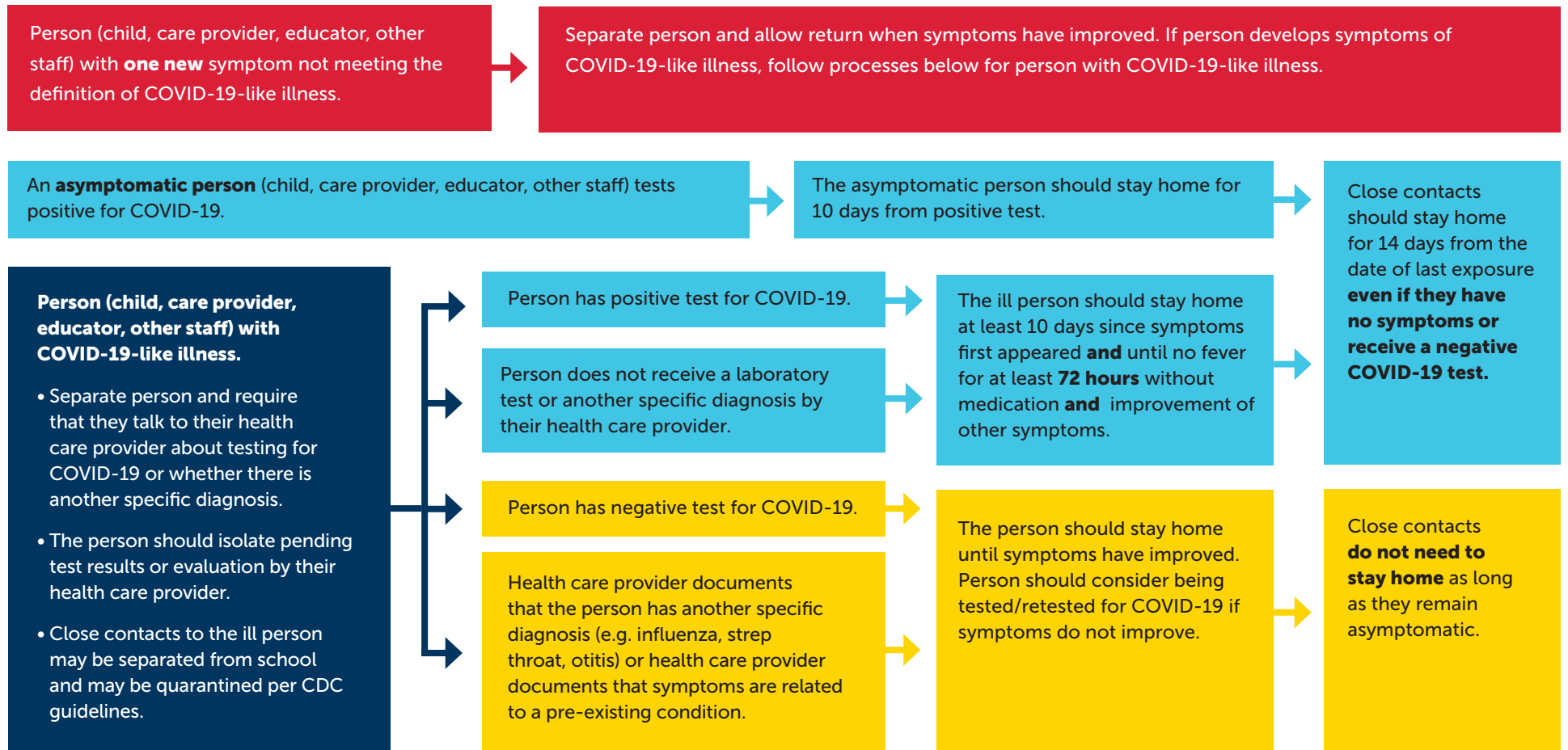


# RPCS COVID-19 Decision Making Chart

## Protecting the Health of our Community

For the purposes of this decision aid, COVID-19-like illness is defined as: New onset cough or shortness of breath OR At least 2 of the following: fever of 100 F or higher, chills, shivering, muscle pain, sore throat, headache, loss of sense of taste or smell, and gastrointestinal symptoms (nausea, vomiting or diarrhea). NOTE: This definition was adapted from the [CDC case definition of a probable case of COVID-19](#).



Close contact can be defined as siblings, members of carpool, as well as anyone defined by the health department. **Review the CDC's definition of close contact [here](#).** Variables may occur based on age of child and changing recommendations from the health department and CDC. This chart was developed under the guidance of the MSDE and CDC.