

GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Dated Peshawar the 11th June, 2020

NOTIFICATION

NO.E&A (Health)/2-264/2020. In pursuance of the National Guidelines issued on "Home Isolation and Discharge during COVID-19" by the Ministry of National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination on 29th May 2020, the following criteria is hereby notified for declaring a patient recovered from now onwards:

For Symptomatic patients with confirmed COVID-19:

Symptom-based strategy

- At least 3 days (72 hours) have passed since recovery with no or improved respiratory symptoms e.g. dry cough, shortness of breath and resolution of fever without the use of fever reducing medications
 - At least 10 days have passed since first symptoms observed

For Asymptomatic Patients with confirmed COVID-19:

Time-based strategy

• At least 10 days have passed since the first COVID-19 diagnostic test came out positive, assuming no symptoms were developed following the positive test.

A test to document cure is generally not required in the above-mentioned cases. However, for the following individuals, two consecutive negative results of molecular assay for detection of SARS-CoV-2 RNA from respiratory specimens collected ≥24 hours apart (total of two negative specimens) are required to discontinue isolation

- 1. Immuno compromised patients
- 2. Those living in congregations such as jails, dorms or madrasas
- 3. Healthcare workers dealing with Immuno compromised patients

The molecular assay must be an FDA Emergency Use Authorized for COVID

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- 2. Director General, Health Services, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
- 3. All Deputy Commissioners in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
- 4. PSO to Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 5. Lead, Clinical Care Committee, Health Department
- 6. All District Health Officers in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
- 7. All Medical Superintendents in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
- 8. PS to Minister for Health Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
- 9. PS to Secretary Health, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 10. PS to Special Secretary-I/II, Health Department.

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