



BARC Developmental Services

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BARC Developmental Services operates ICF / ID group homes in the Bucks County Pennsylvania area. The homes range from five to six individuals. This plan outlines the reopening for the ICF / ID homes in relation to COVID-19.

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Universal Testing Plan

1. All individuals residing in a BARC Developmental Services ICF/ID residence will be tested for COVID-19 by 8-31-20. BARC Developmental Services completed Universal Testing on 8-27-20.
2. BARC utilizes both Quest and CVS to complete testing for individuals and workers. For associates, the cost of the testing is covered by insurance.
3. If there is an issue with Quest or CVS being able to complete the testing for individuals and workers other local pharmacies and testing sites will be utilized.
4. If there is ever a need to complete testing on site, Department of Health will be contacted to request guidance, assistance and testing supplies.

Scenarios for Testing:

Individual is showing symptoms related to COVID-19	Contact the individual's Primary Care Physician to complete testing within 24 hours
Home experiences an outbreak of COVID-19	Contact each individuals' Primary Care Physician to get a test completed immediately. Require all staff be tested within 24 hours.
Asymptomatic Staff	Asymptomatic staff will be tested via CVS locations or other local pharmacies as needed.
Non-essential staff/volunteers	This practice is not allowed. No non-essential staff or volunteers are permitted into the home.
Individuals decline testing	Individual would be isolated for duration of the outbreak or 14 days after last symptoms
Staff decline testing	Staff would not be permitted into home for duration of the outbreak or 10 days after 72 hours symptom-free. Home would follow crisis capacity strategies in PAHAN-501 if untested



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Cohort/Isolation Plans for Individuals

Individuals that have a single bedroom would remain in isolation in their bedroom upon presentation of COVID-19 symptoms or until a negative test result is acquired.

Individuals that have a shared bedroom would remain with roommate if both individuals are showing COVID-19 symptoms. If only one individual is showing symptoms, then they would be removed and isolated in a single bedroom or quarantine area until a negative test result is acquired. Specific staff would be assigned to individuals COVID-19 confirmed/suspected.

If a more severe outbreak occurs, then individuals would cohort in a designated home.

Home Screening Protocol

Anyone entering the home is required to self-evaluate regardless if they have any of the symptoms associated with COVID-19.

Immediately upon arrival at each BARC location, including each residential home, a self-screening process is completed. If the person has a temperature of 100.0° or above, cough, sore throat, respiratory illness, or difficulty breathing, they must leave immediately.

The log, a thermometer, disposable ear probes and pen are placed immediately inside the entry door. A small trash can and a means of sanitizing the pen and thermometer are kept there as well. If the person arriving has any of the symptoms indicated, they cannot proceed further into the building. If the person is staff, the supervisor must be called during business hours / On-Call during non-business hours.



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Individuals have temperatures taken daily. If a temperature is out of normal range for individual, the On-Call nurse is contacted for instructions. If the nurse suspects possible COVID-19, the PCP will be contacted for further instructions.

Personal Protective Equipment Supply

The Benefits Coordinator is responsible for locating and purchasing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for the staff and individuals within the residential department of BARC Developmental Services. The Benefits Coordinator has a list of companies that she orders the PPE from with the specific information for each company.

PPE that is kept in stock includes cloth masks, surgical masks, KN95 masks (N95 if available), gowns, goggles, disposable gloves, face shields and ponchos (to protect PPE when showering individuals).

The stock numbers are kept at a minimum:

KN95 / N95 masks: 250

Cloth masks: 400

Surgical masks: 1000

Gowns: 400

Goggles: 200

Disposable gloves: 3,000 pairs

Face shields: 150

Ponchos: 100

The Benefits Coordinator tracks the supply of all PPE to ensure that the supply of each item is sufficient to meet the demands of all homes. The Residential Director and Program Directors oversee the tracking to ensure that it is always adequate and at least weekly.

The Benefits Coordinator maintains the supply of PPE in a secured location that is locked. Only the Benefits Coordinator and the Residential Director have access to the secured location.



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Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) available to all staff at all times at each home are disposable gloves, cloth masks and surgical masks.

In the event of a symptomatic individual, pending COVID-19 testing or positive results of COVID-19 testing, full PPE is provided for use by staff. This includes gowns, gloves, KN95 masks and goggles. Each staff receives their own supply and PPE is not shared. PPE is sprayed with SteriFab (a virucide) to disinfect it after each use. The PPE for each staff is kept in the home in a sealed, labeled bag. Staff do not take it home.

Staff are always to wear a cloth or surgical mask. Staff are to wear gloves during any individual care.

Staffing Plan

BARC Developmental Services is currently not under a contingency staffing plan.

BARC maintains appropriate staffing to ensure safe patient care. The leadership team updates staff regularly about the actions we are taking to provide a safe environment and relieve stress. We have kept a minimum staffing number to provide safe essential direct care actions.

BARC continues to utilize contracted agency staff to meet our ratio needs, although this number is greatly reduced and limited to the fewest number of homes possible. BARC has also oriented vocation staff who have been reassigned to specific homes.

Staff are also able to be temporarily reassigned to other shifts to meet ratio needs as well as personal factors.

BARC continues to accept new applications for staffing. We have modified our interview process to include virtual features to minimize the threat of transmission of COVID-19.



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If necessary, BARC would follow the state guidance (Return to Work Criteria) to allow asymptomatic positive staff who have had unprotected exposure to COVID-19 to continuing to work in the program.

If staffing needs cannot be met by the above criteria, BARC would look to transfer individuals to another home until staffing needs could be met. This is a last resort and highly unlikely.

Communal Dining and Activities Plan

Communal dining would be limited to individuals unexposed to COVID-19. All staff assisting individuals are required to wear a mask. Staff are only permitted to feed one individual at a time to avoid cross contamination.

Communal activities would be limited to individuals unexposed to COVID-19. Activities are completed, when possible, outdoors on the property to allow for social distancing. Staff are also able to use technology for individuals to participate in tele activities to maintain safety protocols. All activities are conducted using social distancing, hand hygiene, and universal masking standards.

The Steps described in the Interim Guidance from DHS would be used regarding communal dining and activities after beginning the reopening process.

Visitation Plan

Visitation is limited to individuals unexposed to COVID-19.

During the reopening process, the home will allow visitation using the following parameters:

- All visits will be scheduled ahead of time
- Visit will occur outside and at no time is visitor permitted to enter home



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- Visit will occur for no more than 60 minutes due to operational requirements
- Visitors will remain masked at all times
- Visitors will always maintain a distance of at least 6 feet and use provided alcohol-based sanitizer before and after visit
- There will be no physical contact
- There will be no more than 2 visitors at any time
- Visitors will have temperature and symptoms documented and signed prior to visit

An area outside the home is designated as the visitation area. Seating in the areas is kept at a minimum distance of six feet. Individuals are offered a mask to wear during the visit. The area will be sanitized after any visit.

Failure to meet these standards, would result in the suspension or modification of the visit and possibly future visits. In addition, an individual may be isolated for 14 days following the visit if standards are not met.

The home will keep records of all visits.

Plan for Reverting to Closure

If at any point Bucks County reverts to the Red Phase, BARC will halt all reopening and return to the guidelines in the Red Phase of the Governor's Reopening Plan.

The home would return to restricting visits and communal dining/activities. Volunteers are currently restricted and would remain restricted. The home would allow essential personnel only who have been screened upon entrance.

Once Bucks County returned to the Yellow Phase, BARC would resume the reopening process.