

## Reporting Possible Exposure to COVID-19 for First Responder Personnel 03/18/2020

All inquiries must be in writing. An email can be sent to one of the following:

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It is important to remember that if the provider wore appropriate PPE (per the DPH First Responder COVID-19 Guidance Document), there is little to no risk of exposure, even to a confirmed COVID-19 patient.

Please document thoroughly:

1. Date of possible exposure
2. Incident number
3. Name of provider(s)
4. Name of patient (law enforcement only – name will be determined from DEMRS for EMS)
5. Description of PPE worn by the provider(s)
6. Thorough documentation of what occurred and why the provider believes they were exposed.

Once this information has been received in the Office of Emergency Medical Services, it will be reviewed by EMS staff and/or the Office of Infectious Disease and Epidemiology. The first responder will then be classified in the following way:

<b>RISK</b>	<b>Recommended Monitoring</b>	<b>Work Restriction</b>
Low	Self monitoring	None
Medium	Self-Exclusion/Isolation	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure
High	Self-Exclusion/Isolation	Exclude from work for 14 days after last exposure

[Interim U.S. Guidance for Risk Assessment and Public Health Management of Healthcare Personnel with Potential Exposure in a Healthcare Setting to Patients with Coronavirus Disease \(COVID-19\)](#)