When capacity is limited, who should be tested for SARS-CoV-2?

**Prioritization**

- **Strongly recommend to test***.
  - Symptomatic health or care worker with no known COVID-19 contact
  - Individual meeting case definition for COVID-19, requiring admission to health care facility

- **Recommend to test***.
  - If testing is not available, register as a suspected case and isolate.
  - Symptomatic health or care worker identified as a contact
  - Individual meeting case definition for COVID-19 with mild disease without underlying health conditions.

- **Test* a subset of the cases.**
  - Consider all other symptomatic individuals as probable cases and isolate.
  - Increased number of suspected cases in a specific group (potential cluster)
  - Symptomatic individuals in closed settings, including schools, hospitals and long-term living facilities

- **Testing* is lowest priority / not required.**
  - Asymptomatic contacts of confirmed or probable cases
  - Recovering patients
  - Other asymptomatic individuals

*Testing can be done using nucleic acid amplification test (NAAT) or Ag-RDTs. NAAT is the reference standard but Ag-RDTs are a crucial tool used to increase access to testing. Depending on the epidemiological context, Ag-RDTs may be used by professionals or individuals (using self-tests) to test for SARS-CoV-2 without the need to confirm the result using NAAT.

**WHO isolation recommendations:**

**WHO considerations for quarantine of contacts:**