CORRIGENDA (10 August 2022)

WHO COVID-19: case definitions, updated in Public health surveillance for COVID-19, 22 July 2022
(WHO/2019-nCoV/Surveillance_Case_Definition/2022.1)

Page 1, column 1, lines 10–11

Delete: Epidemiological criteria:
• contact of a probable or confirmed case, or linked to a COVID-19 cluster.2

Insert: Epidemiological criteria2:
• contact of a probable or confirmed case, or linked to a COVID-19 cluster.3

Page 1, column 1, line 17

Delete: with a positive professional-use or self-test SARS-CoV-2 Antigen-RDT.3

Insert: with a positive professional-use or self-test SARS-CoV-2 Antigen-RDT.4

Page 1, column 1, lines 19–23

Delete: 2 A group of symptomatic individuals linked by time, geographic location and common exposures, containing at least one NAAT-confirmed case or at least two epidemiologically linked, symptomatic (meeting clinical criteria of Suspect case definition A or B) persons with positive professional use OR self-test Ag-RDT (based on ≥97% specificity of test and desired >99.9% probability of at least one positive result being a true positive)

Insert: 2 In light of the heightened transmissibility of emerging variants and the high likelihood that any close contact could be infected, epidemiological criteria alone are included in order to qualify asymptomatic contacts for testing, when possible, for the countries with the capacity to adopt more sensitive testing strategies; this is particularly relevant in high-risk populations and settings.

3 A group of symptomatic individuals linked by time, geographic location and common exposures, containing at least one NAAT-confirmed case or at least two epidemiologically linked, symptomatic (meeting clinical criteria of Suspect case definition A or B) persons with positive professional use OR self-test Ag-RDT (based on ≥97% specificity of test and desired >99.9% probability of at least one positive result being a true positive)
Delete: A patient who meets clinical criteria AND is a contact of a probable or confirmed case, or linked to a COVID-19 cluster. Death, not otherwise explained, in an adult with respiratory distress preceding death AND who was a contact of a probable or confirmed case or linked to a COVID-19 cluster.

Insert: A patient who meets clinical criteria AND is a contact of a probable or confirmed case, or linked to a COVID-19 cluster. Death, not otherwise explained, in an adult with respiratory distress preceding death AND who was a contact of a probable or confirmed case or linked to a COVID-19 cluster.

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Delete: with a positive professional-use or self-test SARS-CoV-2 Antigen-RDT.

Insert: with a positive professional-use or self-test SARS-CoV-2 Antigen-RDT.

Page 1, column 2, lines 13–14 (footnote)

Delete: ³ Ag RDT antigen-detection rapid diagnostic tests (Ag-RDT) are available for use by trained professionals or for self-testing by individuals:

Insert: ⁴ Ag RDT antigen-detection rapid diagnostic tests (Ag-RDT) are available for use by trained professionals or for self-testing by individuals:

These corrections have been incorporated into the electronic file.