

Preferred Method of Communication



Interpreter



Writing



Text



Hearing Assistive Technology

How Long Sick?

1 2 3 4 5

6 7 8 9 10+

Days

Symptoms?



Fever



Cough



Short Breath

Communication Tips for Healthcare Providers

- Before you begin communicating, make eye contact with individuals regardless of what their hearing acuity is.
- Be patient with hard-of-hearing individuals who may ask for repetition.
- To better ensure the availability of a sign language interpreter and to minimize the number of people in the same room as the patient and medical provider, arrange for accessible and glitch-free Video Remote Interpreters.
- Hearing aids and other devices for amplification may not ensure that everything is readily understood, especially if there is a great deal of background noise.



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