OCFS’ ability to offer youth a rapid COVID-19 test (see Availability of COVID-19 Rapid Tests for Facility Staff and Youth, issued July 29, 2021) demands a modification to intake quarantine procedures. The following is updated guidance on intake and quarantine procedures for youth admitted to DJJOY-operated facilities. This guidance will also be incorporated into Guidelines for the Use of Personal Protective Equipment / Quarantine and Isolation Protocol, issued February 23, 2021.

Exceptions from Intake Quarantine
The following youth, if they are asymptomatic at the time of transfer, do not need to be placed on intake quarantine. Facilities can admit these youth directly into program:

- **Inter-Facility Transferred Youth**: Known youth who are moved between DJJOY facilities, who are not on quarantine or medical isolation status, and who are asymptomatic. This includes lateral transfers or Fenner’d youth from facilities, so long as the sending facilities either do not have a known case of COVID-19 or the youth is not identified as a contact of a case.

- **Youth with Vaccination Protection from COVID-19 and Who Test Negative for COVID-19 Upon Arrival**: Youth who have been confirmed to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 (e.g., with documentation from the medical department of a sending facility/residential program or detention center, or by a CDC vaccination card), if more than two weeks have passed since the date of their last completed vaccination dose; and the youth rapid tests negative for COVID-19 upon arrival to the facility.

- **Youth with Acquired Protection from COVID-19 and Who Test Negative for COVID-19 Upon Arrival**: Youth who have had a documented positive COVID-19 test within the past 90 days from the date of transfer and have completed a 10-day medical isolation, do not need to be COVID tested upon arrival to a DJJOY residential program.

New/Unknown Youth/Youth Admitted Directly from Community
If a youth is new or unknown to DJJOY and they do not meet any of the three criteria above, during the intake process, facilities will:
• Communicate with the medical department of the sending facility, program, or detention center about the presence or absence of COVID-19 in that facility after the youth’s transfer, in the youth population overall, and on the unit where the youth was housed.
  o If a sending facility or program reports no or low incidence of COVID-19 at that facility at the time of the youth’s admission to the DJJOY-operated facility, DJJOY will recontact the sending facility program **five days** after the youth was admitted to confirm the status of COVID-19 at the sending program.

• Offer a rapid test to the youth during facility processing, while they are still in medical, according to the procedures outlined in *Availability of COVID-19 Rapid Tests for Facility Staff and Youth*. Staff should emphasize to youth the advantages taking the rapid test.

• If a new/unknown youth refuses a rapid test, they will be placed on intake quarantine.

**Chart: Rapid Test Results and Next Steps**

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| Sending Facility: DOES NOT HAVE Instance of COVID-19 | 1. New youth is admitted to regular program. Medical department will screen new youth for COVID symptoms and temp twice a day for 14 days  
2. On day 5 after admission, repeat COVID rapid test. If repeat test is negative, no change to youth’s unit or status  
3. If second COVID rapid test is positive or if the youth develops symptoms, youth will be placed on medical isolation. The youth will be given a PCR test. The youth’s unit will be placed on quarantine  
4. If the PCR test is negative; youth goes back to unit (if no symptoms) or remains on medical isolation (if symptoms). If youth has symptoms, they may be given a flu/strep test and remain on medical isolation. The youth’s unit can go off quarantine | 1. New youth is placed in medical isolation, monitored for symptoms, given a PCR test  
2. If the PCR test is negative, the youth moves to regular program  
3. If the PCR test is positive, new youth completes 10-day medical isolation before placement in regular program |
| Sending Facility: DOES HAVE Instance of COVID-19 | 1. New youth will be placed on quarantine  
2. Youth given PCR test after 7 days to confirm initial rapid test negative result  
3. If PCR is negative, youth moves to regular program. If confirmatory PCR is positive, new youth remains on and completes medical isolation before movement to regular program | 1. New youth is placed in medical isolation, monitored for symptoms and given a PCR test on day 7  
2. If the PCR test is negative, the youth can move to regular program  
3. If the PCR is positive, the youth will complete a 10-day medical isolation before placement on regular facility program |

**Reminder:**
- Medical Isolation = 10 days
- Medical Quarantine = 14 days
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