

Incident Learning: COVID-19 Positive Test Result

- The employee was visited on 14/06/2020 by an employee from another production unit that was in contact with a quarantined employee.
- The employee last attend work on 15/06/2020.
- He went to test on 19/06/2020 and informed his foreman that he was positive on 21/06/2020.
- The Foreman informed the HRC, which informed the Tracing team, which interviewed the employee and confirmed 1st contacts.
- Actual and potential consequences
 - One positive infected employee
 - 6 first line contacts (potentially infected)

Immediate actions and learning?

- The contact tracing team was activated and began immediately to categorise the various people who has been in contact with the individual.
- A total of 6 first line contacts were identified and sent home in terms of the COVID-19 protocols.
 - These employees are in self quarantine, all 6 at home and will be tested after 7 days after last contact (21/06/2020).
- Secondary contacts who had exposure to first line contacts were also identified and are being monitored by the employer.
- The affected building was sanitised before occupants could return the next day.

Learning:

- Source of exposure for patient was identified.
- People in isolation, possibly infected should stay in isolation.
- Social contact should be limited.
- Employees don't reveal all contacts.