

# Addressing Context Complexities



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## Common Issues Related to Context

- ▶ Pandemic is ongoing, and this is a dynamic situation
  - ▶ Tests may be difficult to get
  - ▶ Local protocols may change quickly
- ▶ Case or contact is unable to isolate or quarantine
  - ▶ Contacts have new people coming into their homes (roommate problems or not in control of who comes and goes)
  - ▶ They have children they need to care for

## Best Practices When Troubleshooting Problems With Context

- ▶ Identify and communicate community resources
- ▶ Brainstorm potential solutions with the case or contact
- ▶ **Follow local protocol, and escalate to a supervisor if needed**

# Applying Best Practices: An Example

## Contact is symptomatic and demands a test

### ► **Brainstorm solutions**

- Check if testing is recommended, based on local protocol and risk group
- Suggest they contact their personal physician
- Communicate high-risk symptoms for which they should seek care

### ► **Communicate local resources**

- If available, point to drive-thru or in-person public clinics