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NOVEL CORONAVIRUS COVID-19 AWARENESS

What's the difference between isolation and quarantine?



Health authorities apply isolation and quarantine to take care of infected people and their contacts in order to protect healthy people.





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Isolation



is separation of ill persons who have a communicable disease from those who are healthy, so they can start the treatment journey without infecting others.

Quarantine

is restriction of movement of those who may have been exposed to a communicable disease, but do not have a confirmed medical diagnosis to ensure they are not infected.





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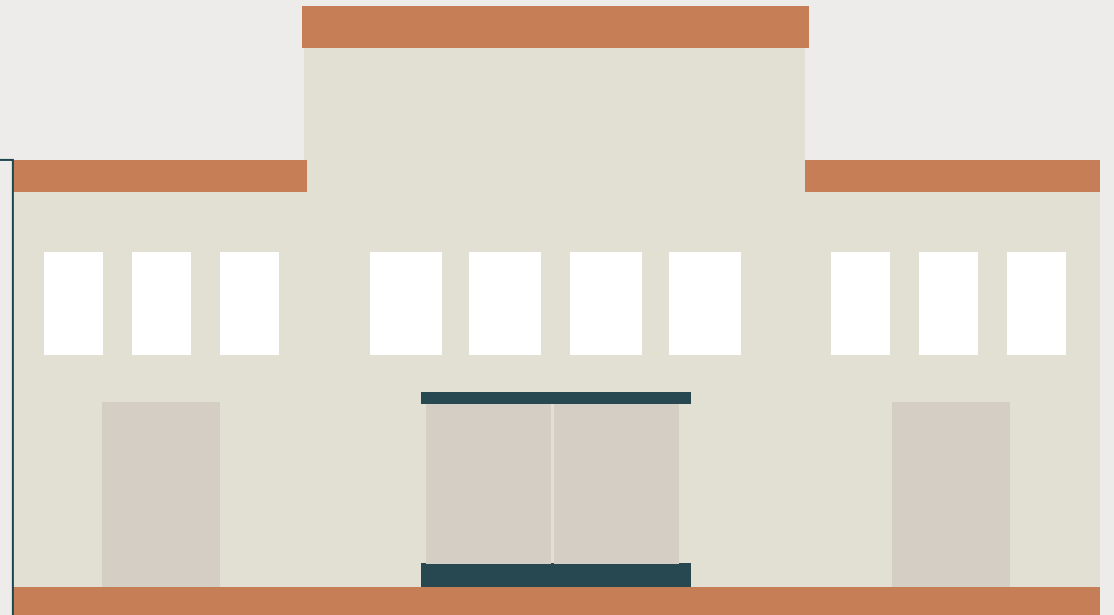
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Staying in the hospital, at home or in a private facility

Healthcare providers are responsible for choosing the best place for people who are subject to quarantine.





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Quarantine does not mean total isolation, but it involves:

- Voluntary movement restriction of individuals.
- Individuals are provided with all their needs of food and personal belongings. Family members and friends will help them in carrying out daily tasks while taking into consideration preventive measures to prevent the spread of infection.
- Quarantined persons will be under medical supervision.
- The positive aspect of such experience is having enough time to meditate, read, watch movies and practice hobbies.



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People who have been quarantined or isolated for a period of time do not pose any health threat to others, especially after confirming that they are free of infection.