

# Case definition of COVID-19 for reporting



## Suspected case of COVID-19 requiring diagnostic tests

1. A person with acute respiratory infection (sudden onset of at least one of the following signs and symptoms: fever, cough and difficulty breathing)

**and**

without other etiology that fully explains the clinical presentation

**and**



history of travel or residence in a Country / area where local transmission is reported during the 14 days preceding the onset of symptoms;

2. A person with any respiratory infection

**and**

who has been in close contact with a probable or confirmed case of COVID-19 in the 14 days preceding the onset of symptoms;

3. A person with severe acute respiratory infection (fever and at least one sign / symptom of respiratory disease - e.g. cough, difficulty breathing)

**and**

that requires hospitalization (SARI— Severe Acute Respiratory Infection )

**and**

without any other etiology that fully explains the clinical presentation.

## Probable case of COVID-19

A suspected case whose test result for SARS-CoV-2 is doubtful or inconclusive using specific Real Time PCR protocols for SARS-CoV-2 at the identified Reference Laboratories or is positive using a pan-coronavirus test.

## Confirmed case

A case with a laboratory confirmation for SARS-CoV-2 infection carries out at a national reference laboratory

