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SEYMOUR JOHNSON DEPENDENT TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19

SEYMOUR JOHNSON AIR FORCE BASE, N.C. – The dependent of an active duty Airman assigned to Seymour Johnson Air Force Base has tested positive for COVID-19. The dependent followed SJAFB recommended protocols and called the 4th Medical Group to self-identify for testing. At that time, isolation was initiated for the Airman's household, per Center for Disease Control guidelines.

The base is currently in Health Protection Condition (HPCON) to level B, which initiates procedures designed to mitigate a moderate health threat to base personnel due to a heightened exposure risk. Recommended protection measures include: continued strict hygiene, no handshaking, and sanitize common areas.

Seymour Johnson is committed to protecting our Airman, civilian employees, and all their family members. We are working closely with Wayne County public health officials and adhering to CDC guidelines for COVID-19.

People experiencing mild to severe respiratory illness with symptoms of fever, cough, and shortness of breath, or have had contact with a person suspected to have COVID-19, should contact the TRICARE Nurse Advice Line at 1-800-TRICARE (1-800-874-2273), before visiting a medical treatment facility. Additional information is available at <u>www.tricare.mil/coronavirus</u> or <u>www.cdc.gov/coronavirus</u>.

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