Suspect Case

YES

1. Obtain nasopharyngeal swab for culture and PCR.
2. Initiate appropriate antibiotic therapy.

Probable Case

YES

1. Obtain nasopharyngeal swab for culture and PCR.
2. Initiate appropriate antibiotic therapy.
3. Exclude from work/school if cough onset <21 days and <5 days of antibiotics.
4. Initiate case investigation.

Confirmed Case

YES

1. Initiate appropriate antibiotics.
2. Exclude from work/school if cough onset <21 days and <5 days of antibiotics.
3. Initiate case investigation.

CONTACTS OF CONFIRMED OR PROBABLE PERTUSSIS CASES

Pertussis Symptoms?

YES

1. Observe for respiratory symptoms for 21 days after last known exposure.

NO

Last exposure to case

>21 days ago

NO

1. Institute appropriate chemoprophylaxis.

YES

3. Review Immunization status.

No further intervention needed, unless at high risk for severe disease.

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