

PROTOCOL – NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (Covid19) SCREENING

Precautionary Measures

- Masks, hand sanitizer and tissues will be made available throughout the Clinic, especially at entrances/exits, checkout stations, registration and resource tables.
- Illustrated signs encouraging people who are experiencing cough, sore throat, sneezing/runny nose or fever to wear masks and use other precautionary measures will be placed beside these items in the clinic.

SCREENING PROCESS

All patients, Volunteers, Visitors must be screened with following questions.

Clinical Features	&	Epidemiologic Risk
Fever ¹ or signs/symptoms of lower respiratory illness (e.g. cough or shortness of breath)	AND	Any person, including health care workers ² , who has had close contact ³ with a laboratory-confirmed ⁴ COVID-19 patient within 14 days of symptom onset
Fever ¹ and signs/symptoms of a lower respiratory illness (e.g., cough or shortness of breath) requiring hospitalization	AND	A history of travel from affected geographic areas ⁵ (see below) within 14 days of symptom onset
Fever ¹ with severe acute lower respiratory illness (e.g., pneumonia, ARDS) requiring hospitalization ⁴ and without alternative explanatory diagnosis (e.g., influenza) ⁶	AND	No source of exposure has been identified

People who screened positive (answered yes) for BOTH symptoms and travel/contact questions should be instructed to do the following:

- Person is asked to remain outside, step away from the facility entrance, and keep at least 6 feet away from other.
- Person should be asked to put on a mask for the safety of themselves and others.
- Screener should ask for and record the person's first and last name, date of birth, phone number with area code, residential address and other information indicated on the CCHC assessment form.
- If the person lives in a private home nearby, they should be told to return directly home and they contact state health department to discuss being tested for Covid19. They should also be given the Covid19 **Home Isolation Guidance document**.
- If the person lives in a group environment and/or far away, they should be told to contact state health department. They should also be given the Covid19 Home Isolation Guidance document.
- If the person looks very sick, clinic can call 911 and ask for transport to local State health department.
- The person can be told if they are cleared from Covid19, they are welcome to return to clinic on a subsequent day but must bring a note from a healthcare official indicating that they do not have Covid19.
- Once the positive screened person has left the premises, use sanitation wipes (wearing gloves) to clean all surfaces they may have been in contact with. Use alcohol wipes to clean the headsets, microphone, cords etc. Any PPE should be disposed of in a biohazard bag.
- Screener should contact clinic director to notify her of the positive screen, provide person's information and indicate whether the person went home or to ER.

- Clinic director will liaise with local state department of health regarding the positive screen and document the incident for clinic records.

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<https://coronavirus.health.ok.gov/testing-sites>

Volunteers

- We will screen ALL volunteers who enter the Clinic
- If a volunteer appears to be feverish or have persistent cough or shortness of breath, then Clinic provider should assess their symptoms.
- Even if their symptoms are not related to Covid19, the volunteer will likely be advised to go home so as not to transmit to others.