Enhanced Staff Screening

We are enhancing the entry point screening process to now include screening all staff for COVID-19 symptoms.

Staff are asked to comply with the screening process both before you leave home and when you arrive at your place of work.

Before Leaving Home

Answer the following questions before you leave your house OR complete the online COVID-19 Screening available at https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool/.

Do you have any of the following symptoms:

- Fever (greater than 38 degrees Celsius)?
- “New” onset of (or exacerbation of chronic) cough?
- Shortness of breath?
- Difficulty breathing?
- Sore throat?
- Runny nose?
- Malaise
- Headache

In the last 14 days, have you:

- Returned from travel outside of Manitoba?
- Had close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19, while not wearing recommended PPE and/or not practicing social distancing?
- Had laboratory exposure working directly with biological specimens that contain COVID-19?
- Live with or had close contact with someone who is ill with fever and/or cough and flu-like symptoms, while not practicing social distancing at home?

If you respond yes to any of these questions, please contact your manager and Occupational Health Services or Designate.
When you arrive

To ensure that you can report to work on time, please arrive earlier to allow for this enhanced screening process. There is a possibility that you will encounter lineups at entry points — maintain social distancing measures (6 feet apart) as you wait to be screened.

We all have a duty to protect our patients, our colleagues and our community. Please watch for the following: recent onset of fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, runny nose in addition to other symptoms such as muscle aches, fatigue, headache, diarrhea and vomiting.

What you can expect

When you arrive, a screener will greet you, take your temperature* with an infrared thermometer and ask if you have any of the following symptoms:

- Fever (greater than 38 degrees Celsius)?
- "New" onset of (or exacerbation of chronic) cough?
- Shortness of breath?
- Difficulty breathing?
- Sore throat?

If you answer yes to any of these symptoms or have a high temperature, the screener will give you a mask to put on, ask you to clean your hands, and direct you to wait in a separate area to speak with a screening supervisor.

The screening supervisor will ask you to contact your manager regarding your screening result.

After your manager has been notified, you will be asked to go home to self-isolate and contact the Provincial Occupational Health COVID-19 Screening Line at 1-888-203-4066 (hours Monday to Sunday 8 am to 8pm).

*Please refrain from drinking hot beverages 15 minutes before, or smoking 5 minutes before, having your temperature taken.