

## 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) or chills?
- “New” onset of cough or increase in amount of coughing?
- Shortness of breath?
- Headache or unusual headache?
- Sore throat?
- Sore muscles not related to overexertion or exercise?

In the last 14 days, have you:

- Returned from travel outside of Manitoba (excluding travel to Western Canada, the Territories or Ontario west of Terrace Bay)?
- 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 while not wearing recommended PPE?

If you respond yes to any of these questions, please contact your manager and your local Occupational Health Services or Designate during regular office hours. Contact numbers and hours of service for your OH department can be found here <https://sharedhealthmb.ca/files/occupational-health-contact-information.pdf>

In addition, if you live with someone who is ill with fever and/or cough and flu-like symptoms they are eligible for assessment and testing for COVID-19 and should proceed to a testing site. The staff member can continue to work pending results while self-isolating from the ill person in the home. If unable to safely self-isolate in the home the staff member may be eligible for Alternative Isolation Accommodation (AIA) through referral by Occupational Health. Please see contact numbers above.

## 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 new onset of fever or chills, cough or increase in amount of coughing, shortness of breath, headache or unusual headache, sore throat or sore muscles not related to overexertion or exercise.

## 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) or chills?
- “New” onset of cough or increase in amount of coughing?
- Shortness of breath?
- Headache or unusual headache?
- Sore throat?
- Sore muscles not related to overexertion or exercise?

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, go for COVID-19 testing at a testing site, self-isolate and contact your local OH department during regular business hours. Contact numbers and hours of service can be found here <https://sharedhealthmb.ca/files/occupational-health-contact-information.pdf>

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