MEMO

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To: All Suppliers

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Re: COVID-19 – Suppliers and Facility Business Visits

To meet the challenges of COVID-19, public health officials and health system leaders have agreed to the following measures for anyone visiting health-care facilities including service providers/contractors/representatives conducting on-site service/repairs to support operations:

The following individuals are asked to NOT visit a health-care facility during this time. Those who have:

- Returned from international or domestic travel in the last 14 days; OR
- Been instructed to self-isolate or self-monitor for 14 days; OR
- Symptoms including fever or chills, a new cough or increase in the amount of coughing, sore throat, shortness of breath, headache or unusual headache, or sore muscles not related to overexertion or exercise.

All supplier representatives will be screened upon entry of a health-care facility as per visitor guidelines. You will be escorted on site by the host department and provided with proper personal protective equipment, if required. You will also be briefed on facility COVID-19 protocols, including social distancing and proper hand hygiene.
Supplier Representatives: Out-of-Province

Supplier representatives may be exempt from inter-provincial travel restrictions in order to provide essential and/or critical equipment repairs, installations or construction. The host department will work to obtain appropriate travel authorization (if travelling in northern Manitoba), approvals and clearance for supplier representatives to enter a site and will escort supplier representatives on the premises. All regional and/or site-specific policies must be followed. Supplier representatives travelling by air, marine or rail must abide by Transport Canada’s COVID-19 Measures. Currently, air passengers must have a non-medical mask or face covering while travelling. For more information on Transport Canada’s current measures and guidelines click here.

Supplier Representatives: Residing within Manitoba

All non-essential meetings with supplier representatives should be conducted via teleconference or be suspended until further notice. Please consult with the host department to determine if service is to be continued.

We ask all supplier representatives to follow social distancing strategies to reduce close contact between people to try to stop the progression of community transmissions of the virus.

Remember to wash your hands often, and stay informed of updates and all recommended precautions at https://sharedhealthmb.ca/health-providers/coronavirus-resources/ or Manitoba.ca/covid19/