COVID-19 Non-Clinical Facility Screening

NSW GOVERNMENT | **Health**
Illawarra Shoalhaven
Local Health District

Current: Midnight - 12 February 2021

All staff and visitors entering a NSW Health hospital or health service must be screened.

COVID-19 health screening involves a symptom check, a temperature check and an exposure assessment.

Symptom check

Ask if they have any of these symptoms

- Fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, body aches, sore or scratchy throat, headache, runny nose, muscle pain, vomiting, nausea, diarrhoea, or loss of smell or taste.

COVID-19 exposure assessment - STAFF

1. **Ask if they have been in contact with a COVID-19 case in the last 14 days without appropriate PPE or if they have been asked to self-isolate by a health official.**

   - If yes to either, record their contact details and ask your manager to refer to the local public health unit for follow up. Exclude them from working at the facility and tell them they must immediately self-isolate for 14 days since the exposure.

2. **Ask if they have a household member who is a close contact of a COVID-19 case.**

   - If yes, ask secondary questions: a). if the household member has received a negative COVID-19 test result as part of their close contact follow-up, and b). if they have been appropriately isolating from the household member since the household member was identified as a close contact.

   - If no to either of the secondary questions, record their contact details and ask your manager to refer to the local public health unit for follow up. Exclude them from the facility until further advice is received from the public health unit.

   - If yes to both secondary questions, they are not excluded from the facility.

3. **Ask if they have been to any of the locations, during the time and date indicated, in the "Self-isolate and get tested immediately if you've been to these locations" table at https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/latest-news-and-updates**

   - If yes, exclude them from the facility and tell them they must follow the advice on that web page.

4. **Ask if they have been to any of the locations or travelled on nominated public transport routes, during the time and date indicated, in the "Casual Contacts – Get tested immediately" table at https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/ latest-news-and-updates**

   ▪ If yes, ask if they have been tested for COVID and received a negative result
     o If no, exclude them from the facility and advise they must get tested immediately and isolate until they get a negative result
     o If yes, they are not excluded from the facility.

5. **Ask if they have been to any of the locations or travelled on nominated public transport routes during the date and time indicated in the "Monitor for symptoms if you've been to these locations" and "Public transport routes" tables at https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/ latest-news-and-updates**

   ▪ If yes, they are not excluded from the facility. Tell them they must follow the advice on that web page.

   ▪ **Ask if they have been to any areas of concern in New Zealand since 14 January 2021.**

   ▪ If yes, record their contact details and ask your manager to refer to the local public health unit for follow up. Exclude them from the facility and tell them they must follow the advice on the respective websites.

6. **Ask if they have been to any Western Australian affected areas or the Perth, Peel or South West Regions of Western Australia since 25 January 2021.**

   ▪ If yes, record their contact details and ask your manager to refer to the local public health unit for follow up. Exclude them from the facility and tell them they must follow the advice on the NSW Health website

7. **Ask if they have been in Victoria at anytime on or after Friday 29 January 2021.**

   ▪ If yes, record their contact details and ask your manager to refer to the local public health unit for follow up. Exclude them from the facility and tell them they must follow the advice on the NSW Health website

COVID-19 exposure assessment - VISITORS

1. **Ask if they have been in contact with a COVID-19 case in the last 14 days or been asked to self-isolate by a health official.**

   ▪ If yes to either question, record their contact details and ask your manager to refer to the local public health unit for follow up. Exclude them from the facility and tell them they must immediately self-isolate for 14 days since the exposure.

2. **Ask if they have been to any of the locations, during the time and date indicated, in the "Self-isolate and get tested immediately if you've been to these locations" or the "Casual Contacts – Get tested immediately" table at https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/ latest-news-and-updates table at https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/latest-news-and-updates**

   ▪ If yes, exclude them from the facility and tell them they must follow the advice on that web page.

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Manager's notes if staff member has visited any of the identified case locations

1. **If the staff member has been at the places on the dates and times listed in the Current Locations Poster - Self Isolate and Get Tested Immediately, then they require COVID-19 testing and self-isolation – they should NOT remain at work.**

   ▪ The manager should speak to the **Infectious Diseases COVID-19 on-call specialist** via hospital switchboards to seek advice about whether rapid COVID-19 testing should be authorised.

2. **If the staff has been at the places on the dates and times listed in the Current Locations Poster - Monitor Symptoms, the manager should speak to the Infectious Diseases COVID-19 on-call specialist via hospital switchboards to seek advice about whether**

   ▪ They can remain at work, and

   ▪ testing (including rapid testing) is required.

3. **The staff member will be eligible for COVID Leave for the period of workplace exclusion if they have visited one of the locations in the posters and they are asked to leave work.**