ED CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) SCREENING PROTOCOL

GENERAL TRAVEL SCREENING

**Patient History Gathered**

Ask: Do you have a cough, fever, shortness of breath? *one symptom considered positive

**NO-Continue checking in patient**

**YES-Isolate in a private room and follow guidelines below (Symptoms consider COVID-19 testing)**

Continue to ask:

1. In the last month have you travelled to an area with a widespread outbreak, or had close contact with a person known to have:
   - Coronavirus (COVID-19)
   - Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS CoV)
   - EBOVA Virus Disease (EVD)
2. Have YOU traveled outside of the country within the last month?
   - Consider high risk travel international travel areas

Coronavirus (COVID-19) SPECIFIC SCREENING:

Isolate patient in private room with door closed

- Use a negative air room if it is available
- Use contact and airborne isolation signage
- Staff to utilize PPE (gown, gloves, N-95 respirator and face shield/eye protection)
- Clinical staff to verify symptoms
  - Ask about any recent COVID-19 contacts and/or travel to high risk areas
- Fill out staff room entry log for any staff/visitor going into the room.

Provider to assess patient:

- Provider reviews COVID-19 Testing Guidance located on the intranet
  - [COVID-19 Testing Guidance](updated 03/18/2020)

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Follow ED process for notifying patients of COVID-19 test results
- Notify for both positive of negative results

Patients who test positive for COVID-19:
- ED provider to determine patient disposition
- ED Staff to follow COVID-19 transport guidelines if admitted
  - Guidance for transporting patients under investigation for COVID-19 (updated 3/16/2020)
- Bed Placement and Unit notified prior to transport

Exam Room Turn Over
  - Follow COVID-19 Room Cleaning Protocol-non OR on the intranet.
  - Thorough cleaning and disinfection of the patient room should be performed.

Infection Prevention Team will notify:
- County Health Department of positive COVID-19 test results

INFORMATION:
WHO: https://www.who.int/docs/default-source/coronaviruse/situation-reports/20200212-sitrep-23-ncov.pdf?sfvrsn=41e9fb78_2

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