

2019-nCoV (Novel Coronavirus) POSITIVE Screen Algorithm for Home & Community Care Staff

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POSITIVE Respiratory Screen AND any of the following (to be completed by individual completing Respiratory Screen):

Travel to Hubei province, China (including Wuhan) OR anywhere in Mainland China in the 14 days before onset of illness

OR

Close contact with a confirmed or probable case of 2019-nCoV

OR

Close contact with a person with acute respiratory illness who has been to Hubei province, China (including Wuhan) OR anywhere in Mainland China within 14 days prior to their illness onset

Best practice remains for all LHIN staff and SPOs to complete a respiratory screen *prior* to each home visit

SPO notifies the LHIN of a POSITIVE 2019-nCoV Respiratory Screen

Individual has POSITIVE Respiratory Screen

Notify LHIN nCoV Response Team

LHIN nCoV Response Team to confirm secondary travel screening

Positive secondary travel screening?

Follow usual protocols and processes for positive Respiratory Screen

Document POSITIVE Respiratory Screen in CHRIS and notify SPOs via HPG update

Consult with Public Health on next steps

If directed by Public Health, LHIN nCoV Response Team to direct client to Emergency Department for follow up Ax

Is the client able to transport themselves to ED?

If client is unwilling to present to ED, escalate as per internal processes and ensure referral to Public Health.

Advise client/caregiver on basic infection control processes

Confirm ED client/caregiver will be attending

Notify destination hospital

Notify Designated Manager including destination ED and Client Number

Document POSITIVE Respiratory Screen in CHRIS and notify SPOs via HPG update

Designated Manager to notify Emergency Preparedness Lead & VP H&CC

Support call to EMS and inform of POSITIVE screen

EMS to support patient transport to ED

Notify Designated Manager including destination ED (if known) and Client Number

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A person in need of further assessment should travel by themselves in a personal vehicle where possible. If it is not possible, follow the guidance provided by public health

Key hospital contacts for 2019-nCoV notification

