COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) – Ambulatory Areas



What to do if patient suspects COVID-19

- 1. Ask the patient to perform hand hygiene and wear a mask
- 2. Place patient in single room as soon as possible
- 3. Healthcare Provider Droplet/Contact precautions
 - Clean hands
 - Procedure mask with attached visor, gown and gloves
- 4. If patient unwell, MRP/MRN/NP may consider rescheduling their appointment

Criteria for COVID-19

- 1. Fever, cough or difficulty breathing AND
- 2. History of travel to an affected area in the last 2 weeks, **OR**
- 3. Other index of suspicion (e.g., contact with an ill person with travel to affected areas, contact with a confirmed/probable COVID-19)

When to use an N95 mask

Aerosol Generating Medical Procedures (AGMP) require an N95 respirator in airborne isolation (if possible), or a single room if not:

- CPR with Bag valve mask ventilation
- Bronchoscopy and bronchoalveolar lavage
- Continuous positive airway pressure (CIPAP)
- Bi-level positive airway pressure (BiPAP)
- Intubation and extubation procedures
- Nasopharyngeal aspirates, washes and scoping (not NP swabbing)
- Nebulized therapy
- Open airway suction
- Sputum induction

Who to call?

- If the patient has questions they can call 8-1-1
- If you have questions contact the ICP for your area