



Coronavirus COVID-19

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COVID-19 Patient ID and Assessment for Primary Care with MD/NP

1 IDENTIFY

Patient reports:

Fever, new cough, or difficulty breathing

Give patient and accompanying person(s) a mask to wear and ask to perform hand hygiene

2 ISOLATE

- Place patient in an separate room/area
- Implement **Contact And Droplet Precautions**
- Put on appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

3 ASSESS

HISTORY – VITALS – RESP EXAM

Collect specimen¹

4 DISPOSITION

Requires Hospitalization: Call ED to notify sending patient

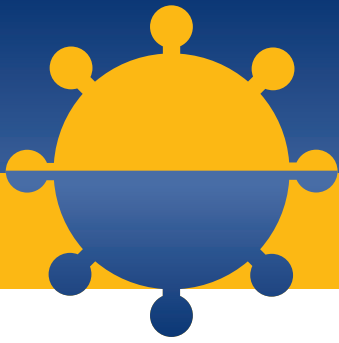
Returning home: provide patient handout¹ and advise patient to limit contact with others and call 811 if symptoms worsen

Clean and disinfect surfaces touched by patient and accompanying person(s)

¹BCCDC healthcare professionals resources

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IDENTIFY 1	ISOLATE 2	ASSESS 3	DISPOSITION 4
<p>Does the patient report <u>any</u> of the following symptoms?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Fever ■ Cough (new onset or exacerbation of chronic cough) ■ Difficulty breathing/shortness of breath <p>If yes, Give patient and accompanying person(s) a mask to wear and ask to perform hand hygiene</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Place patient and accompanying individuals in a separate room or area with at least 2 meters separation between patients. Implement Contact and Droplet Precautions ■ Appropriately don (wear) and doff (remove) Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): gown, gloves, eye protection (e.g. face shield or goggles) and surgical mask ■ Perform hand hygiene before, during, and after patient care ■ If performing aerosol generating medical procedures (AGMPs), move patient to a negative pressure room (whenever possible) and wear a fit-tested N95 respirator, gown, gloves and eye protection.¹ If this is not possible in the current setting, facilitate sending patient to a healthcare setting that can perform the procedure using airborne precautions. NOTE: Nasopharyngeal (NP) and throat swabs do not require use of N95 respirator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Assess clinical signs and symptoms and exposure risk (history, vitals, respiratory exam) ■ Consider need to test for COVID-19. Either nasopharyngeal (NP) or throat swab are suitable (NP preferred).¹ 	<p>Patient requires hospital care</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Please call the ED to notify you are sending a suspect coronavirus patient <p>Patient does not require hospital care</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Provide patient handout available in the 'case management' section ■ Instruct patient to call 1-833-707-2792 if results have not been received in 3-4 days ■ Advise patient to limit contact with others and call 811 if symptoms worsen ■ Public Health notification is not required <p>Clean and disinfect surfaces touched by the patient and accompanying individuals</p>

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