

HACKLEY COMMUNITY CARE

COVID-19 PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE PLAN

Hackley Community Care (HCC) continues to closely monitor the directives and guidance from federal, state, and local authorities concerning the COVID-19 pandemic. Pursuant to certain Executive Orders issued by Governor Whitmer, HCC is required to take certain precautions in order to limit the risk of the spread of COVID-19 while the states of emergency and disaster remain in effect. This Preparedness and Response Plan is adopted by HCC in furtherance of Executive Orders 2020-96, 2020-97, and 2020-110 and other applicable orders, directives and guidance. This Plan amends, restates and replaces any and all previous plans, policies and procedures of HCC concerning the subject matter of this Plan. Some provisions in this Plan apply to all patients and visitors to HCC's facilities and some provisions apply specifically to employees. Reference to 'employees' include temporary and contract workers.

I. HUMAN RESOURCE SUMMARY FOR HCC STAFF:

Doing Your Part; Doing Our Part: You are going to learn in this document about all the precautions that HCC is taking to keep staff and patients safe – our two, number one priorities! This is a *team effort* and we're in this together! HCC will continue to do our part to keep us all safe and healthy, and we need you to do your part as well:

Have Symptoms? Please Stay Home: In caring for you and your and your families' health, we will continue to be as flexible as possible to support you. It is so important that our staff members are aware of their own symptoms and STAY HOME if you are experiencing any symptoms that could be COVID related as noted on the COVID Screening Document (Section IV). Symptoms include cough, sore throat, fever, shaking and/or chills, shortness of breath, loss of taste/smell, abdominal pain, loss of appetite, diarrhea, headache, dizziness, and new onset of muscle pain. We also understand that many of you are caring for others in your household. We know that you may have concerns about things like safety, pay, absences, PTO availability and we encourage you to discuss those concerns with your managers and keep lines of communication open. Above all, please stay home when you are not well. **Employees will not be penalized for missing work when they are exhibiting symptoms that indicate a particular risk of infecting others with COVID-19.**

Communication & Concerns: Human Resources will continue to provide you with updates, resources and benefits available to you and your families. Please reach out to us if you are struggling or need specific assistance or resources. We need you well! When you do have questions or concerns, please contact your Manager, Human Resources, Infectious Disease Coordinator, Medical Operations Director or other leadership member. We also have comment boxes and other means of communication throughout the organization.

Employees are encouraged to hold each other accountable with respect to this Plan and the policies and procedures contained herein. To the extent that anyone is not complying with this Plan, employees should report such behavior to management. Additionally, if an employee is made aware or has reason to suspect that another may have COVID-19 symptoms, such employee should report their concerns to management immediately.

Training, Training, Training: We are providing COVID-19 safety training for all staff – existing, new and returning to make sure that staff are thoroughly trained in the latest precautions, procedures and protocols to limit risk factors. These trainings include the items listed in this document, topics noted in Section I and includes training in PPE, hygiene and sanitization. This training is also conducted for contractors, students, volunteers or temporary employees.

PPE & Hygiene: Please follow your PPE Procedural Training correctly and consistently to protect yourself and your neighbors; use sneeze and cough etiquette; and wash hands regularly and thoroughly. Refrain from using others' equipment, space and work tools where spreading potential is increased.

Travel Restrictions: HCC may restrict business-related travel to only essential travel by employees when required

to do so by active Executive Orders and/or CDC guidelines to help reduce exposure risks.

Workspace Evaluations: On an ongoing basis, HCC will evaluate remote work options based on business needs, active executive orders, and CDC guideline recommendations. HCC will restrict the number of workers present on premises to those strictly necessary to perform HCC's critical functions and operations. Employees with questions or concerns regarding their designation as an essential worker should contact management for further discussion.

II. EXPOSURE CATEGORIES

The following potential sources of possible COVID-19 spread in the workplace include:

- The general public
- Customers/patients
- Co-workers/employees
- Vendors/visitors

HCC employees fall into one of the following categories:

- **Lower exposure risk** (the work performed does not required direct contact with people known or suspected to be infected with COVID-19 or frequent close contact with the public).
- **Medium exposure risk** (the work performed requires frequent and/or close contact with people who may be infected with COVID-19 but who are not known COVID-19 patients; or contact with the general public in areas where there is ongoing community transmission).
- **High exposure risk** (healthcare delivery and support staff exposed to know or suspected COVID-19 patients; medical transport workers moving known or suspected COVID-19 patients in enclosed vehicles).
- **Very high exposure risk** (healthcare workers performing aerosol-generating procedures on known or suspected COVID-19 patients; healthcare or laboratory personnel collecting or handling specimens from known or suspected COVID-19 patients).

III. DESIGNATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE POINT PERSON

HCC will designate at least one Infectious Disease Point Person to implement, monitor, and report on the COVID-19 control strategies implemented in this Plan. A Infectious Disease Point Person shall remain on-site at all times when employees are present at HCC facilities. If the Infectious Disease Point Person is unable to be present at the worksite, an on-site employee will be designated to perform the role.

IV. DAILY SCREENING OF ALL INDIVIDUALS BEFORE ENTERING HCC FACILITIES

A. Screening of All Individuals

1. HCC will determine a Designated Entry Point through which all employees and individuals must access the facility. Upon entry, at the Designated Entry Point, every individual will complete a COVID-19 HCC Building Screening Questionnaire based on current CDC and/or other mandated guidelines.
2. A touchless thermometer is utilized for employee/individual temperature screening. HCC will record the temperature on the employee logging form and the patient screening questionnaire. A fever is considered if temperature is above 100.4 degrees.
3. Employee logs will be maintained by the Infectious Disease Point Person/Designated Employee weekly and stored with the Infectious Disease Coordinator.
4. The individual or non-staff entering the building will take their completed patient screening questionnaire to their appointment or to whoever they're meeting with.

B. HCC building screeners will complete the Coronavirus Questionnaire regarding COVID-related symptoms and travel/exposure history; and take a temperature prior to entering the building.

1. Negative Building Screen:

- a. **Patients/Visitors:** Upon entering the building, patients will be provided a mask and asked to sanitize their hands. Masks must be worn at all times while in the facility. Patient will be evaluated by BHC, PCP or Dentist as typical for complaints/symptoms. The questionnaire will be given to provider team, so they are aware patient has been screened and deemed no/low risk.
- b. **Staff:** Employee will be provided with a mask if they don't have one already, asked to sanitize their hands, and may report to their workstation following a negative building screen.

2. Positive Building Screen:

- a. **Patients/Visitors & HCC Staff:** Patient will be asked to return to their car. They will be triaged from their car by the COVID RN team. An employee will follow this same process unless he/she decides that they would prefer to consult with their own external PCP if they are not an HCC patient. In any event, an HCC employee should immediately utilize call in procedures to report their status to their manager.

C. RN Triage/Medical Evaluation of Positive Building Screens (or Call-Ins by Patients and Staff):

Employees are encouraged to self-monitor at home and to please call in if they are experience any symptoms or have a COVID Circumstance (symptoms, travel or exposure):

- a. **All Patients and Any Staff (choosing to be evaluated by HCC RN Triage):** Patients or staff with a positive building screen or calling in with COVID symptoms will be further evaluated over the phone by the COVID RN team using the COVID-19 RN Screening Tool to determine their risk level and appropriate next steps.

Upon clinical evaluation through the RN Triage COVID-19 RN Screening Tool evaluation, a determination of risk level and guidance will be given, depending on individual circumstance, as follows:

1. Urgent/High Risk Symptoms:

- i. **Patients & Staff:** If the patient or staff is determined to have urgent/high risk symptoms, (based on the screening tool) the RN will consult with an HCC provider or RN care manager and/or send the patient directly to the Emergency Room for further evaluation.

2. Low/Moderate Risk Symptoms:

- i. **Patients & Staff:** If the patient or staff has low to moderate risk symptoms, (based on the screening tool) the RN will schedule a telehealth visit with a provider.

Provider will medically evaluate each circumstance and make appropriate clinical recommendations for treatment and follow up.

V. HCC Staff Treatment and Follow Up

Employees are to report the recommendations of their provider visit (HCC or External PCP) to their manager including work restrictions and whether a COVID test is pending. Managers, in conjunction with Medical Operations Director and Infectious Disease Coordinator will monitor and evaluate each staff circumstance to determine when an employee may return to work based on provider recommendations and CDC guidelines.

A. HCC Guidance for COVID Test Results for Staff:

1. **Results Reporting:** Staff must immediately report COVID-19 test results to Medical Operations Director and/or Infectious Disease Coordinator and/or Manager. For positive test results, HCC will follow CDC

guidelines regarding health care workers and patients and test results will be reported to Muskegon Public Health Department by the Infectious Disease Coordinator.

2. **HR Notification for Positive Test Results & Identification of Close Contact Group:** Medical Operations Director and/or Infectious Disease Coordinator and/or Manager are required to immediately report any positive COVID-19 staff test results to HCC CHRO, HR Director, or HR Benefits Lead. Human Resources will make direct contact with employee to identify other staff members, patients/visitors, contractors, volunteers or suppliers who had 'close contact' with that individual and assess risk category. Evaluation of risk and close contact includes in close contact within 6 feet for a period of time greater than 15 minutes, within a specific time frame and whether PPE was in use by either/both parties. This same process will be in place if HCC is made aware of any positive test results for any patients, contractor, volunteer, student or supplier who may have been in contact with HCC staff members.
 - a. **Close Contact Group Notifications:** Within 24 hours of positive test result notification, Human Resources will make direct contact with those individuals to notify them of exposure and risk level and will provide guidance for PPE and/or PCP referral based on symptoms or asymptomatic status. Positive HCC staff are ADA protected and remain anonymous to every extent possible. Within same 24 hours period, HCC's Medical Operations Director and/or Infectious Disease Coordinator will notify the Muskegon Public Health Department (directly through established positive results process).

B. HCC Staff Return to Work Criteria (based on CDC guidelines):

Medical Operations Director will be responsible for clinical evaluation and determination of staff members' approval to return to work based on CDC guidelines outlined below. These evaluations and communications will be in conjunction with the employee's manager.

1. Symptomatic HCC Staff with Confirmed or Suspected COVID-19:
 - a. **Test-based strategy.** Exclude from work until:
 - 1) Resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications, **and**
 - 2) Improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath), **and**
 - 3) Negative results of an FDA Emergency Use Authorized molecular assay for COVID-19 from at least two consecutive nasopharyngeal swab specimens collected ≥ 24 hours apart (total of two negative specimens)[1]. See Interim Guidelines for Collecting, Handling, and Testing Clinical Specimens for 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV).
 - b. **Symptom-based strategy.** Exclude from work until:
 - 1) At least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* defined as resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications **and** improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); **and**,
 - 2) At least 10 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*
*If Staff was never tested for COVID-19 but have an alternate diagnosis (e.g., tested positive for influenza), criteria for return to work should be based on that diagnosis.
2. Asymptomatic HCC Staff with Confirmed COVID-19:
 - a. **Time-based strategy.** Exclude from work until:
 - 1) 10 days have passed since the date of their first positive COVID-19 diagnostic test assuming they have not subsequently developed symptoms since their positive test. If they develop symptoms, the symptom-based or test-based strategy should be used (above).
 - b. **Test-based strategy.** Exclude from work until:
 - 1) Negative results of an FDA Emergency Use Authorized COVID-19 molecular assay for detection of SARS-CoV-2 RNA from at least two consecutive respiratory specimens collected > 24 hours apart.

C. Employee Safety Requirements Upon Returning to Work:

1. Wear a surgical facemask at all times while in the facility for 14 days.
2. Restrict contact with severely immunocompromised patients (e.g., transplant, hematology-oncology) until 14 days after illness onset.
3. Adhere to hand hygiene, respiratory hygiene, and cough etiquette in CDC's interim infection control guidance (e.g., cover nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing, dispose of tissues in waste receptacles).
4. Self-monitor for symptoms and seek re-evaluation from occupational health if respiratory symptoms recur or worsen.

VI. Additional precautions HCC is taking for potentially exposed healthcare providers and critical infrastructure workers include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A. Continue to abide by HCC's daily building screening procedure.
- B. Continue to self-monitor for COVID-19 symptoms and immediately report to a supervisor or manager upon developing any COVID-19 symptoms.
- C. Wear a face mask while inside HCC facilities per HCC Mask requirements.
- D. Continue to abide by social distancing (6 feet) recommendations to the greatest extent possible.
- E. HCC will continue to abide by all CDC cleaning and disinfecting guidelines.

VII. Pre-Screening for Patients and Permitted Visitors:

- A. An attempt will be made to pre-screen patients and visitors for COVID-19 symptoms and risk factors before their appointment. This will take place via appointment reminder phone calls or texts. If a patient meets the pre-screening criteria the patient may continue with an in-person appointment. The patient will be informed of HCC's visitor and building screening procedure.
- B. HCC is currently prohibiting visitors from entering an HCC facility in an effort to continue practicing social distancing, unless the visitor is visiting under one or more of the following circumstances:
 - 1) Visitor is required for the provision of medical care or support of activities of daily living (as determined by HCC employees on a case-by-case basis).
 - 2) Visitor is the power of attorney or court-appointed guardian for a patient.
 - 3) If patient is 21 years of age or under, visitor is patient's parent, foster parent or guardian.
 - 4) Visitor is visiting patient in serious or critical condition or in hospice care.

VIII. Employee Training: All employees will receive COVID-19 training which covers the following topics:

- A. Workplace infection-control practices.
- B. The proper use of personal protective equipment (PPE).
- C. Steps the employee must take to notify the business or operation of any symptoms of COVID 19 or a suspected or confirmed diagnosis of COVID 19.
- D. How to report unsafe working conditions

IX. Social Distancing by Employees:

In compliance with Michigan's Executive Orders, OSHA and CDC guidelines, HCC has developed and implemented the following plan to manage and control social/physical distancing for employees working alongside each other and patients and visitors within or outside HCC.

- A. All workspaces shall be modified as necessary to ensure that employees are able to work at least six feet apart from other employees to the maximum extent reasonably possible. Based on evaluation of workspace, employees will be advised to wear a face shield in addition to required mask if they cannot consistently maintain six feet of separation. Employees are required to maintain a distance of at least six feet from all employees and avoid in-person conversations unrelated to HCC operations to the maximum extent possible. If social/physical distancing becomes impractical or infeasible due to capacity or other limitations within HCC's facilities, HCC

may take additional action to further restrict capacity or reassign employees as necessary. Visual markings and signage will be placed throughout the facility to further implement social/physical distancing among employees and patients.

Specifically, HCC shall:

- 1) Continue social distancing measures as recommended by the CDC.
- 2) Restrict the number of workers present on HCC premises to no more than is strictly necessary to perform the in-person work.
- 3) Require individuals to remain, to the extent possible, six feet apart from each other at all times. Where individuals cannot maintain 3 feet of distance, employees will be advised to wear a face shield in addition to required mask.
- 4) Identify high-risk areas where workers must stand near one another and provide visual indicators of appropriate spacing for employees in case of congestion (including outside of the Designated Entry Point).
- 5) Postpone group meetings or otherwise hold such meetings via telephone or video conference.
- 6) Prohibit all forms of physical contact where it is not necessary for employer operations.
- 7) Suspend all non-essential visitors.
- 8) Post signs at entrance(s) instructing patients to wear a face covering when inside.
- 9) Limit waiting-area occupancy to the number of individuals who can be present while staying six feet away from one another and ask patients, if possible, to wait in cars for their appointment to be called.
- 10) Mark waiting rooms to enable six feet of social distancing (e.g., by placing X's on the ground and/or removing seats in the waiting room).
- 11) Enable contactless sign-in (e.g., sign in on phone app) as soon as practicable.
- 12) Add special hours for highly vulnerable patients, including the elderly and those with chronic conditions.
- 13) Place hand sanitizer and face coverings at patient entrance(s).
- 14) Require employees to make proper use of personal protective equipment in accordance with guidance from the CDC and the U.S. Occupational Health and Safety Administration.
- 15) Require patients to wear a face covering when in the facility, except as necessary for identification or to facilitate an examination or procedure.
- 16) Install physical barriers at sign-in, temperature screening, or other service points that normally require personal interaction (e.g., plexiglass, cardboard, tables).
- 17) Employ telehealth and telemedicine to the greatest extent possible.
- 18) Limit the number of appointments to maintain social distancing and allow adequate time between appointments for cleaning.
- 19) Employ specialized procedures for patients with high temperatures or respiratory symptoms (e.g., special entrances, having them wait in their car) to avoid exposing other patients in the waiting room.

*Additional or other social/physical distancing measures may be implemented by HCC from time to time consistent with guidance issued by federal, state and local authorities which must also be strictly followed by all employees.

X. Cleaning, Disinfecting and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

- A.** HCC will utilize standards of facility cleaning and disinfection to limit employee and patient exposure to COVID-19, as well as adopting procedures to clean and disinfect in the event of a positive COVID-19 case in the workplace.

Specifically, HCC shall:

- 1) Practice routine cleaning and disinfecting of frequently touched surfaces. HCC shall refer to CDC recommended cleaning measures.
- 2) Require employees to routinely clean their own space utilizing an EPA approved cleaner (per CDC)

- 3) Ensure that there are sufficient hand washing or hand-sanitizing stations at the worksite to enable easy access by employees.
- 4) Place hand washing protocol posters in all common work areas and in restrooms and encourage employees to frequently wash their hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water.
- 5) Provide hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, and household cleaners at the Designated Entry Point, in all common areas, and at workspaces where employees cannot leave to wash their hands between interactions with non-employees.
- 6) Encourage the continuation of proper hand hygiene, sneeze and coughing etiquette, and other infection-control practices and post signs to the same effect.
- 7) Provide all non-health care provider employees with non-medical grade face coverings and all health care providers with medical grade face coverings and require them to be worn where six feet of distance cannot be maintained.
- 8) Adopt protocols to limit the sharing of equipment to the maximum extent possible and to ensure frequent and thorough cleaning and disinfection of equipment and frequently touched surfaces.
- 9) Disable all water fountains.
- 10) Clean and disinfect all areas used by a person (including any employee) who is ill, such as offices, bathrooms, common areas, shared electronic equipment like tablets, touch screens, keyboards, remote controls, credit-card machines, keypads, counters, shopping carts, and other surfaces. If more than 7 days have passed since a person who is sick visited or used the facility, additional cleaning and disinfection is not necessary under current CDC guidelines.
- 11) Deep clean examination rooms after patients with respiratory symptoms and clean rooms between all patients.
- 12) In the event of a positive COVID-19 case in the workplace, HCC will identify all potentially contaminated areas of the facility and will abide by CDC guidelines when cleaning and disinfecting contaminated areas. It is possible that specific areas of the facility will be shut down for a 24-hour period in order to clean and disinfect the area, at which point, employees working in the area will be properly notified and removed from the area.
- 13) Additional or other cleaning and disinfecting measures may be implemented by HCC from time to time consistent with any directives and guidance issued by government authorities which must also be strictly followed by all employees.

XI. Required Notices

- A.** A copy of this Plan will be made available via email, HCC Website, and through HCC Intranet to ensure that it may be viewed by all employees and other individuals. Supporting procedures are available upon request.
- B.** HCC will post additional signage as may be required by federal or state law related to COVID-19.
- C.** Procedures that support this document can be found on HCC's Intranet under:
Procedures/Section M: EOC/Infection Control
 - 1) M.01 Generalized Disinfection
 - 2) M.02 Dental Disinfection
 - 3) M.03 Screening and Management of patients and staff regarding COVID 19
 - 4) M.04 Mask Procedure
 - 5) M.05 COVID 19 Facilities Response
 - 6) M.06 PPE and Disinfection Guidelines (COVID)
 - 7) M.07 COVID Algorithm

This Plan may be amended or modified from time to time by HCC, with or without advance notice.