COVID-19 SCREENING TOOL FOR FRONTLINE STAFF AND VISITORS IN HOMELESSNESS SERVICE SETTINGS
Shelter, Support and Housing Administration
Current as of May 5, 2020

Name: ___________________________ Date: _______________ Time: ____________

ALL staff and essential visitors entering and/or working in homelessness services settings should be actively screened using the tool below before every shift, prior to entering the site. Non-essential visitors should not be visiting the site at this point in time. Staff are asked to assess themselves before they travel to work, in order to minimize the risk of exposure to COVID-19 and to support staff and client health and safety.

STEP 1 – COMPLETE COVID-19 SCREENING TOOL FOR STAFF WORKING IN HOMELESSNESS SERVICE SETTINGS

(a) Do you have a fever (temperature of 37.8 °C or higher) OR any new/worsening symptoms including cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, difficulty swallowing, hoarse voice, runny nose, stuffy or congested nose, lost sense of taste or smell, digestive issues such as nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain.

Other symptoms may include: fatigue, falling down more than usual, chills, headache.

☐ Yes ☐ No

(b) Has someone you are in close contact tested positive for COVID-19?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(c) Are you in close contact with a person who is sick with new respiratory symptoms (e.g., fever, cough, difficulty breathing) or who recently travelled outside of Canada?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(d) Have you travelled outside of Canada within the last 14 days?

☐ Yes ☐ No

STEP 2 – ASSESS YOUR RESPONSE
Based on your response to the above questions, do the following:

If you answer ‘No’ to all of the questions:
• You are permitted to enter the site and work your scheduled shift. Please continue to practise physical distancing and self-monitor for symptoms.

If you answer ‘Yes’ to any of the questions:
• Stay home. DO NOT enter the site and work your scheduled shift.
• Return your vehicle/home if you are at your workplace and contact your supervisor.

If you answer ‘Yes’ to (a) having symptoms:
• Testing is recommended for those who work in homelessness service settings as per the Ministry of Health Provincial Testing Guidelines

If you answer ‘No’ to (a) having symptoms and ‘Yes’ to any other question:
• If you have had close contact with a person who is confirmed to have COVID-19 (b) / or has new respiratory symptoms (c), self-isolate for 14 days from your last close contact.
• If you have recently travelled (d), you must self-isolate at home for 14 days after your return to Canada.
• Please monitor yourself for symptoms. If you develop new symptoms, testing is recommended.

Please ensure that you stay in communication with your supervisor.

For more general health referral information, refer to the Public Health Ontario website. If you have questions or your symptoms are worsening contact your primary care provider (for example, family doctor) or call Telehealth Ontario at 1-866-797-0000 to speak with a registered nurse.

If you need urgent care, contact 9-1-1.