ADULT OFFICE TRIAGE for Patient Calls w/ Respiratory Symptoms — DO NOT BRING PT INTO OFFICE

START: Telephone Triage

If Pt has Moderate/Severe Symptoms

Triage to MD/APRN / PA or Call Center if no clinician available

Moderate Symptoms
- Breathing okay
- Does not feel well overall
- Coughing
- Headache or sore throat
- Loss of smell or taste
- Chest pain/tightness

URI, Fever & Cough
COVID Suspect
- Home isolation 14 days and ≥ 3 days symptom resolution
  - Symptomatic tx
  - Consider Tamiflu, Xofluza or antibiotics

Negative COVID Test
- Home isolation
  - 7 days & ≥ 3 day resolution
  - Symptom management
  - Call back for worsening

Positive COVID Test
- Home isolation ≥14 days (assess for safety) & resolution of cough
- Symptom management
- Regular patient outreach
  - See COVID positive pathway

Severe Symptoms
- Unable to get out of bed
- Dyspneic (RR > 25)
- Chest pain
- Tachycardic (HR > 110)
- Difficulty completing sentence
- Confused

• Needs ED and hospital admission
  • Call before sending to inform “COVID suspect” can self transport
  • If ambulance needed must inform “COVID Suspect”

Asymptomatic COVID exposure

Nursing or clinician: Review exposure

• ADVICE FOR ALL ASYMPTOMATIC PATIENTS:
  • Self monitor per CDC
  • Call back for fever or respiratory symptoms
  • We do not recommend testing at this time
  • Exposures/recommendations:
    • Work exposure: HCW - monitor for symptoms and continue to work
    • Household exposure: Self isolate x 14 days, monitor for symptoms

Minor respiratory symptoms
- Sore throat
- Hoarse voice
- Cough

• ADVICE FOR ALL SYMPTOMATIC PATIENTS:
  • Self isolation per CDC
  • Call back for worsening
  • Advise against emergency room or walk-in
  • We do not recommend testing at this time (inadequate supplies)
  • Home isolation 7 days and ≥3 days resolution of symptoms in the absence of test results

• ADVICE FOR ALL SYMPTOMATIC PATIENTS:
  • Self isolation per CDC
  • Call back for worsening
  • Advise against emergency room or walk-in
  • Consider testing

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