

All Staff Screening Changes

As of May 7th staff screening will be changing. Per direction of the Health Department we can no longer screen ourselves for COVID-19. See new procedure below.

The process will be as follows:

- 1) Staff will enter the facility at door #13 or door #11
- 2) Prior to being screened, perform hand hygiene, apply your mask.
- 3) Get screened by a co-worker who has been trained on screening.
- 4) *If no other staff is present to do your screening:* You will need to ring the doorbell in the entry area at door #13 or at the screening station near door #11 to be screened by another staff (does not have to be a nurse).
- 5) The person screening you will:

-Write down your name

-Take your temperature

-Ask you about each symptom as identified by the CDC:

Symptoms for screening include:

- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

OR at least two of these symptoms:

- Fever, Chills, Repeated shaking with chills, Muscle pain, Headache, Sore throat, New loss of taste or smell, Diarrhea

-Ask you about any exposure to a COVID 19 positive or presumptive person.

-Ask you about any recent travel or exposure to someone who has traveled.

*If the staff member's temperature is above 100.0 call the charge nurse to evaluate. That staff member should be sent home.

*If the staff member has symptoms as described above, call the charge nurse to evaluate. That staff member should be sent home.

*Any staff sent home should be instructed to get tested immediately.

- ***Be sure when you are going for COVID-19 testing to let your doctor and/or nurse know you work in a nursing home.***
- ***Attached; a letter from MDH to help expedite results and COVID-19 testing location information.***