**COVID-19 Guidelines for Students and Academic Staff**

Students are not allowed to take care of COVID positive or PUI patients.
(Patients that have symptoms present, HX of exposure or a positive Covid-19 test)

Students should be informed of the following:

- All those entering an AAH facility will be screened for symptoms of COVID-19 in alignment with team member expectations.
- They must consistently follow established infection prevention guidelines, including, but not limited to, hand hygiene, PPE use, and social distancing.
- They should not report to an Advocate Aurora facility if experiencing any signs or symptoms of COVID-19. These include Fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle/body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea.
- If symptoms develop while at an Advocate Aurora Health facility, they are to exit the clinical site immediately, be tested for COVID-19, and seek additional health services as necessary. Students should immediately notify the appropriate academic contact (i.e., Medical Coordinator / Placement Coordinator) to report these symptoms.
- Precepted Students or Clinical Instructors must contact Employee Health COVID-19 Central Team (1-855-663-4327) if:
  - The student was on site 48 hours before symptoms starting or before COVID + test (they are considered infectious 48 hours before symptoms and going forward).
  - Students were exposed to a positive person in the community and were present in an AAH facility before awareness of this positive exposure.
- If they test COVID-19 positive, they notify their clinical instructor or coordinator and seek additional health services as necessary. They are not to return to an Advocate Aurora Health (AAH) facility until the school provides written or electronic clearance; the student has been isolated for 14 days and is now asymptomatic. Covid-19 testing results/documentation should be maintained at the school and not returned to AAH.
- If they have exposure to a person with known COVID disease (symptoms present, HX of exposure, or a positive test), the student must isolate for 14 days; even if they get tested, and the COVID test is negative and/or they are asymptomatic. The school will do contact tracing to determine who had direct contact and meets the definition of an exposure.
  - Exposure: An exposure to COVID-19 means that you have come in contact with the virus. The length of the exposure, proximity to the source of the exposure, and your personal protective equipment (PPE) determine the likelihood of becoming infected. In our health system, high risk (class 1) is considered if all three of these occur:
    - prolonged exposures (total of 15 minutes or longer)
    - within 6 feet
    - without appropriate PPE
  - Additionally, any duration of exposure is considered high risk if it occurred during the performance of an aerosol-generating procedure without appropriate PPE.
  - During contact tracing, instructors would notify EH Central Team if an AAH patient or team member was exposed to an infectious student.
- AAH Facility Exposures: Students will be included in contact tracing, if applicable.
- We follow state and local travel restrictions regarding travel.

**Note:**
Non-compliance of these guidelines may result in limiting or discontinuing clinical placement.
Nursing Contact Information for COVID-19 Exposure/Positive Results

Instructor informs hospital/local site clinical placement specialist and system contact of exposures/positive tests and estimated return date.

System Contacts:
- IL email - ASC-ClinicalAffiliations@aah.org
- WI email - WINursingClinicalAffiliations@aah.org

Site Clinical Placement Specialists:
- IL Contact List
- WI Contact List

Upon return, the student/instructor must continue to stringently adhere to PPE guidelines and universal masking requirements

Safe Check App Implementation

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