Provincial Pre-Triage for COVID-19 for Adult and Pediatric Patients in Emergency Departments/Urgent Care Centres

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All Patients and Visitors Arriving

- Approved signage visible prior to entry
- Pre-triage area
- Nurses perform hand hygiene, wear mask, eye protection, and gown
- Protective Services (where available) perform hand hygiene, wear mask, eye protection, and gown

COVID-19 Case Definition andILI Screening

Screen patient and visitor for COVID-19/ILI

Patient: mandatory hand hygiene and mask

Triage to appropriate treatment space or holding area

If over capacity consider co-horting in separate geographic location

Unable to screen

{consider social separation}

Negative

Patient to regular triage and mandatory hand hygiene

Positive

Patient: mandatory hand hygiene and mask

Symptomatic EMS Patients

EMS will conduct COVID-19/ILI screen

Contact ED prior to arrival and await direction for appropriate treatment space

Stop all aerosol generating medical procedures prior to arrival (excluding CPR*);

Bypass triage and go directly to assigned treatment space

*If ETT in situ, usual transfer practices. If no ETT, pause ventilation during transfer into hospital – CPR continues.

Patients From Assessment Centres

Assessment centres will contact ED’s using approved pathway for symptomatic unwell patients as determined by their ZEOC.