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COVID-19 GUIDELINES

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The recommendations below for employees, physicians and residents follow the guidance of Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) and New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH).

For clinical COVID-19 questions, please call the Coronavirus Hotline at 716-859-3222 (open daily 7 a.m.-7 p.m.).

DO I NEED TO WEAR A MASK?

- Procedural masks (non-N95) should only be used when evaluating a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 patient.

- **There is no need to wear masks routinely, especially when not in contact with patients.**

Non-N95 Mask

MASKS ARE FOR PEOPLE WITH SYMPTOMS ONLY.

- Long-term care employees are mandated to wear masks at all times.

- N95 respirators should <u>only</u> be used when performing aerosol generating procedures on a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 patient, such as an endotracheal intubation/extubation, BiPAP, OPEN suctioning, bronchoscopy, nebulizer therapy and high flow.

- You must have been previously fit-tested to know your proper size for the N95 respirator being used.

- Supplies of masks and respirators are critically low, and we must preserve these for care of suspected or confirmed COVID-19 patients.

- Please do not bring respiratory protection equipment from home.

DO YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS?

FEVER

COUGH

SHORTNESS OF BREATH

YES

Symptomatic: If the Employee is symptomatic, then the Employee cannot work and should follow normal protocol for disability (DBL), working with Human Resources just as they would for other illnesses that prevent them from reporting for work.

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If staff who are **asymptomatic** develop symptoms consistent with COVID-19, they should immediately stop work and isolate at home.

NO

- The Employee will continue working, and:
    - Should self-monitor twice a day (i.e., temperature, symptoms) and
    - Undergo temperature monitoring at the beginning of each shift and at least every 12 hours.
    - If you have had a known close contact with a confirmed positive COVID-19 case, call the Coronavirus Hotline at 716-859-3222 (open daily 7 a.m.-7 p.m.).

* THESE UPDATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. THE CDC, NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH REGULATIONS & GUIDELINES ARE CHANGING DAILY.

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