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**HEALTH ALERT: COVID-19** 

Dear Colleagues,

Testing criteria for COVID-19 has recently been modified and no longer requires a patient to be hospitalized before testing can be completed. Instead, testing is now left up to the clinician's discretion based on clinical and epidemiologic factors.

Most patients with confirmed COVID-19 have experienced fever and/or symptoms of acute respiratory illness, particularly cough and difficulty breathing. Since other respiratory illnesses can also cause these symptoms, clinicians are encouraged to consider and test for other respiratory illnesses, particularly influenza.

In addition to the clinical presentation and course of illness, epidemiologic factors should also be considered and should include:

- (1) local epidemiology of COVID-19
- (2) whether a person has had close contact with a laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 patient within 14 days of symptoms
- (3) whether there is a history of travel from affected geographical areas within 14 days of symptom onset.

If you have a patient that you feel warrants testing for COVID-19, please contact the Ottawa County Department of Public Health (OCDPH) which will assist you in initiating the administrative process. During business hours please call 616-396-5266; you may also reach the OCDPH after hours by calling Central Dispatch at 616-994-7850 or 800-249-0911 and a representative from the OCDPH will be notified. If you do not have this number at your disposal and need immediate assistance, dial "911" directly.

Attached with this letter is information for reporting a "Person Under Investigation", as well as the necessary forms.

If you have further questions, please contact me at 616-494-5548. Sincerely,

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### Michigan Interim 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Person Under Investigation (PUI)/Case Report Form Cover Sheet

Please use the attached Human Infection with 2019 Novel Coronavirus Person Under Investigation (PUI) and Case Report Form. If you are a healthcare provider with a suspect COVID-19 PUI, contact your local health department (LHD). The LHD can provide consultation on COVID-19 testing, coordinate notification to MDHHS, and guide the specimen submission process. If you are unable to reach an LHD contact, please call the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Communicable Disease (CD) Division at the numbers below.

After notification of a PUI from a physician, the LHD should enter the patient into the Michigan Disease Surveillance System (MDSS) and contact the MDHHS CD Division. The MDHHS CD Division will assign an nCoV ID number and notify the MDHHS Bureau of Laboratories (BOL). An nCoV ID number **MUST** be assigned prior to submitting specimens to the MDHHS BOL. The MDHHS CD Division can be contacted at: **(517)** 335-8165 during business hours, or at: (517) 335-9030 after-hours and on holidays.

### **Evaluating and Reporting Persons Under Investigation (PUI)**

Limited information is available to characterize the spectrum of clinical illness associated with coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). No vaccine or specific treatment for COVID-19 is available; care is supportive. The CDC clinical criteria for a COVID-19 person under investigation (PUI) have been developed based on what is known about COVID-19 and are subject to change as additional information becomes available.

#### Criteria to Guide Evaluation of PUI for COVID-19

As availability of diagnostic testing for COVID-19 increases, clinicians will be able to access laboratory tests for diagnosing COVID-19 through clinical laboratories performing tests authorized by FDA under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA). Clinicians will also be able to access laboratory testing through public health laboratories in their jurisdictions.

This expands testing to a wider group of symptomatic patients. Clinicians should use their judgment to determine if a patient has signs and symptoms compatible with COVID-19 and whether the patient should be tested. Decisions on which patients receive testing should be based on the local epidemiology of COVID-19, as well as the clinical course of illness. Most patients with confirmed COVID-19 have developed fever<sup>1</sup> and/or symptoms of acute respiratory illness (e.g., cough, difficulty breathing). Clinicians are strongly encouraged to test for other causes of respiratory illness, including infections such as influenza.

Epidemiologic factors that may help guide decisions on whether to test include: any persons, including healthcare workers<sup>2</sup>, who have had close contact<sup>3</sup> with a laboratory-confirmed<sup>4</sup> COVID-19 patient within 14 days of symptom onset, or a history of travel from affected geographic areas<sup>5</sup> (see below) within 14 days of symptom onset.

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#### **Footnotes**

<sup>1</sup>Fever may be subjective or confirmed

<sup>2</sup>For healthcare personnel, testing may be considered if there has been exposure to a person with suspected COVID-19 without laboratory confirmation. Because of their often extensive and close contact with vulnerable patients in healthcare settings, even mild signs and symptoms (e.g., sore throat) of COVID-19 should be evaluated among potentially exposed healthcare personnel. Additional information is available in CDC's Interim U.S. Guidance for Risk Assessment and Public Health Management of Healthcare Personnel with Potential Exposure in a Healthcare Setting to Patients with Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

<sup>3</sup>Close contact is defined as—

a) being within approximately 6 feet (2 meters) of a COVID-19 case for a prolonged period of time; close contact can occur while caring for, living with, visiting, or sharing a healthcare waiting area or room with a COVID-19 case

- or -

b) having direct contact with infectious secretions of a COVID-19 case (e.g., being coughed on)

If such contact occurs while not wearing recommended personal protective equipment or PPE (e.g., gowns, gloves, NIOSH-certified disposable N95 respirator, eye protection), criteria for PUI consideration are met.

Additional information is available in CDC's updated <u>Interim Infection Prevention and Control</u>

<u>Recommendations for Patients with Confirmed COVID-19 or Persons Under Investigation for COVID-19 in Healthcare Settings.</u>

Data to inform the definition of close contact are limited. Considerations when assessing close contact include the duration of exposure (e.g., longer exposure time likely increases exposure risk) and the clinical symptoms of the person with COVID-19 (e.g., coughing likely increases exposure risk as does exposure to a severely ill patient). Special consideration should be given to healthcare personnel exposed in healthcare settings as described in CDC's Interim U.S. Guidance for Risk Assessment and Public Health Management of Healthcare Personnel with Potential Exposure in a Healthcare Setting to Patients with COVID-19.

<sup>4</sup>Documentation of laboratory-confirmation of COVID-19 may not be possible for travelers or persons caring for COVID-19 patients in other countries.

<sup>5</sup>Affected areas are defined as geographic regions where sustained community transmission has been identified. Relevant affected areas will be defined as a country with <u>at least</u> a CDC Level 2 Travel Health Notice. See all COVID-19 Travel Health Notices.

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The completed PUI/Case Report form with intact cover sheet (with patient identifiers below) should be uploaded to the Michigan Disease Surveillance System (MDSS).

Patient Information:			
First name:	_ Last name:	•	
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MDSS ID number (MDHHS/LHD use):			
Date of birth:	Age:Sex:	Female	Male
Patient residence street address:		City:	
County:	State:	Zip	Code:
Patient phone number(s):			
Patient hospital ID (Medical Record) number	1		
Reporting healthcare facility:			
Reporting healthcare facility contact r	name and title:		
Healthcare facility contact phon	ie number:		
Please provide reason for testing:			
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History of travel from a U.S. State with co	nfirmed cases of CO	VID-19 within 1	4 days of symptom onset
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Other (please specify):	**************************************		
For additional information about 2019 Novel <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nco-https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus">https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus</a>	•	-19), please see	:

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Additional State/local Specimen IDs:

CDC 2019-nCoV ID:	

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Symptoms, clinical course, past medical history and so collected from (check all that apply): Patient interview Medical record			or	·y				
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Sore throat				No [	Unk			
Cough (new onset or worsening of chronic cough)				No [	_]Unk			
Shortness of breath (dyspnea)				No [	Unk			
Nausea or vomiting		]Yes		No [	Unk			
Headache		]Yes		No {	Unk			
Abdominal pain	<u> </u>	Yes		No (	Unk			
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Other, specify:								
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Chronic Liver disease Yes No Unkno	wn							
Immunocompromised Condition Yes No Unknown	own							
Neurologic/neurodevelopmental/intellectual Yes No Unknown disability	own			(If	YES, specify) _			
Other chronic diseases Yes No Unknown	own			(If	YES, specify)			
If female, currently pregnant Yes No Unknown	own							
Current smoker Yes No Unknown	own							
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Coronavirus (OC43, 229E,								
M. pneumoniae								
C. pneumoniae								
Other, Specify:								