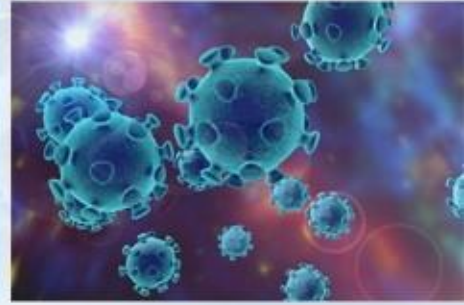


COVID-19 Update

Employee and Physician Information



Memo from the Vice President

All Management and Physicians

February 27, 2021

Re: COVID-19 swabbing for all staff who worked at St. Clare's Mercy Hospital from February 19-26th

As part of a site surveillance testing initiative, all staff, physicians, and students who worked at St. Clare's Mercy Hospital between February 19-26, 2021 inclusive, are required to have a COVID-19 swab. All site managers are asked to identify any employee who worked St. Clare's Mercy Hospital during this time frame.

All staff/physicians are asked to book their swab using the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador COVID-19 site: <https://www.811healthline.ca/covid-19-self-assessment/>. When completing the self-assessment, please identify yourself as a staff, physician or student who worked at St. Clare's Mercy Hospital to ensure your swab appointment is prioritized. Swab results are available on the website: <https://healthnl.ca/concerto/nlchi/covidresults/CovidResultsSplash.htm>.

Staff and physicians are permitted to work while you await your test results and must wear full contact/droplet precaution personal protection equipment (PPE) during all patient encounters. This should be changed between each patient interaction. Full contact/droplet precaution PPE includes:

- mask;
- face shield;
- gown;
- gloves.

PLEASE NOTE: In all common areas, including offices, unit group areas, hallways etc. required PPE includes:

- full face shields, and
- masks.

In all cases, social distancing of two metres or more must be maintained and appropriate hand hygiene must be practiced.

As this is site testing only, staff will **NOT** be required to receive clearance from Occupational Health. Those who tested positive only will be contacted by Occupational Health for further direction.

While waiting for results, all staff/physicians and students are expected to isolate from their families. If you are unable to isolate at home or require hotel services, please contact the Navigator Line at **(709) 752-3663**.

Managers are asked to provide the spreadsheet attached to identify all employees in your program/services areas who worked at St. Clare's Mercy Hospital from February 19 to 26 and return the spreadsheet to St. Clare's Mercy Hospital EOC as soon as possible.

The email for the St. Clare's SITE EOC is scmeoc@easternhealth.ca. Thank you for your continued patience and cooperation through this evolving process.

Judy O'Keefe
Vice President

Report all potential communicable diseases to Occupational Health: 709-777-7777, line 3, line 2, or email occhealth@easternhealth.ca.

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