



ALGORITHM 1: ASSESSMENT AND TESTING FOR COVID-19

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- Review client exposure history
- Review client symptoms
- Review client vulnerability/risk for severe infection
- Clinical exam

- POSSIBLE EXPOSURE:**
- Travel to a place that has had confirmed cases within the last 14 days
 - Close contact with person that has travelled to a place that has had confirmed cases within the last 14 days
 - Close contact with person that has COVID-19 (confirmed or probable)

Note: This algorithm will change if there is evidence of community transmission of COVID-19.

LOW LIKELIHOOD OF COVID-19
(Signs/symptoms, no exposure)

MEDIUM TO HIGH LIKELIHOOD OF COVID-19
(Signs/symptoms, possible exposure)

MANAGEMENT

Testing:

- Offer COVID-19 test

Forms:

- Complete PHOL requisition form
- Fax copy of completed PHOL requisition form to SLFNHA

Contact Tracing:

- NO NEED TO IDENTIFY CONTACTS

Client Instructions/Education:

- Review hand hygiene/cough and sneeze etiquette
- Instruct client to self-isolate at home until receipt of test results – review ability of client to self-isolate at home and connect with community support team if available – review self-isolation handout with client

MANAGEMENT

Testing:

- Offer COVID-19 test

Forms:

- Complete PHOL requisition form – **request STAT test for probable case**
- Fax copy of completed PHOL requisition form to SLFNHA
- Call SLFNHA to notify of probable case

Contact Tracing:

- Ask client for list of people that live in same household
- Ask client for list of people that have had close contact
- No need to notify contacts unless otherwise directed by SLFNHA

Client Instructions/Education:

- Review hand hygiene/cough and sneeze etiquette
- Instruct client to self-isolate at home until receipt of test results – link client with community support team if available, review self-isolation handout with client

If negative test, can discontinue self-isolation once symptoms resolved for at least 24 hours.

Continue self-isolation for 14 days, regardless of test result.