



LICENSED PERSONAL CARE HOME RESPONSE PLAN

UNIVERSAL TESTING COVID-19 FOR RESIDENTS AND STAFF PENNSYLVANIA STATE GUIDANCE

EFFECTIVE: JULY 1, 2020

Purpose: To meet Pennsylvania State Guidance for Universal Covid-19 testing of residence and staff to prevent spread of COVID-19 and protect all who live or work in Personal Care Home settings.

1. Plans for baseline state mandated universal COVID-19 testing (SARS-CoV-2) will be discussed with residents and employees of Woods' personal care homes.
2. Tests per requirement **WILL NOT** be performed on residents or employees with a history of positive tests for SARS-CoV-2.
3. Testing will be obtained by healthcare center employees and sent to outside contracted lab (or hard copy result from employee's personal healthcare provider will be obtained) and will be completed by August 31, 2020.
4. Testing results will be reported to the Department of Human Services within 48 hours of completing through their designated system of reporting.
5. Woods personnel will keep a spread sheet of all individuals tested with required data.
6. As this is a required test mandated by the state, employees who refuse testing **MAY NOT** be in direct care contact with residents.
7. As per previous internal procedures, any employee with symptoms consistent with COVID are **NOT** to care for residents and are to remain at home and call their immediate supervisor reporting their illness. Further instructions will follow.
8. Employees with a (+) result whether symptomatic or non-symptomatic when testing occurred will be excluded from work until:
 - Symptomatic: 10 days have passed since the date of start of symptoms and they are 3 days without COVID Symptoms **OR**
 - Asymptomatic (No Symptoms): 10 days have passed since their (+) COVID-19 test unless employee develops symptoms. If symptoms develop, see "symptomatic" above. **OR**
 - Negative results of an FDA approved test for detection of SARS-CoV-2 RNA from at least two consecutive nasopharyngeal swab specimens collected ≥ 24 hours apart (total of two negative specimens) are received.
9. **Employees will not return to work until cleared by medical center personnel.**
10. Should a resident refuse testing, Woods personnel should care for the resident in a COVID-potentially exposed area until at least 14 days after refusal. If symptoms of COVID-19 are noted, testing is recommended and is to be revisited with the resident or responsible party.
11. To further stop the transmission of COVID-19 within Woods' personal care homes, weekly testing of residents and employees will continue **through 14 days of the MOST RECENT POSITIVE RESULT.**
12. All infection control measures as stated within the Wood Emergency Procedure Plan, e.g., wearing of masks, handwashing, social/physical distancing, cleaning of highly touched areas, etc. are to continue.