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# **Apotex 4RF COVID-19 Outbreak**

# **Final Control Measures**

### **CASE DEFINITION**

Any client or staff with lab confirmation of COVID-19.

#### **SURVEILLANCE**

- 1. Test new clients presenting with <u>any one</u> symptom compatible with COVID-19;
- 2. Initiate daily active surveillance for clients (IPAC) and staff (OHS) on the affected unit;

#### SIGNAGE AND ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONS

- 3. Place suspected/confirmed cases on Special Droplet/Contact Precautions with signage on the doors;
- 4. Post outbreak signage on unit entrance doors & keep them shut for the duration of the outbreak;
- 5. Post a printed copy of the Control Measures at the nursing station;
- 6. Implement universal use of masking for staff, visitors, and contractors on the outbreak unit;
- 7. Implement use of N95 respirators for any clients on Special Droplet/Contact precautions;

### **ACCOMMODATION, COHORTING & ROOM RESTRICTIONS**

- Restrict suspected/confirmed cases to their rooms for the duration of Special Precautions;
- 9. Use dedicated mobile equipment in the rooms of confirmed/suspected cases, when possible;
- 10. Disinfect mobile equipment that cannot be dedicated, using disinfectant wipes;

#### APPOINTMENTS, LEAVES OF ABSENCE & GROUP ACTIVITIES

- 11. Determine whether clients' medical appointments should be kept, at the discretion of MRPs;
- 12. Schedule appointments end of day, if possible. Notify transport personnel and the receiving facility;
- 13. Reschedule non-urgent medical appointments and absences. Urgent appointments may continue with precautions:
- 14. Provide all clients who leave the home with a mask and inform them of the risk of transmission;
- 15. Organize recreational group activities for 4-5 well clients at a time only in the TV lounge and/or dining room;
- 16. Schedule recreational group activities at end of day and after activities for non-outbreak units;
- 17. Restrict clients from the outbreak unit from participating in any communal recreational group activities taking place outside the unit;

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18. Communal dining can continue for well residents (1 client per table if feasible);

# ADMISSIONS, RE-ADMISSIONS AND TRANSFERS

- 19. Permit new admissions to the affected unit only in consultation with IPAC;
- 20. Permit early client discharges and repatriations to homes in the community;
- 21. Permit transfers between affected and unaffected units only in consultation with IPAC;
- 22. Coordinate inter-facility transfers with Toronto Public Health. Notify the receiving facility;

## STAFF, PRIVATE & ESSENTIAL CAREGIVERS, STUDENTS, VOLUNTEERS, AND VISITORS

- 23. Restrict confirmed/suspected staff/caregiver/etc. cases from the unit until cleared by OHS/TPH;
- 24. Permit healthy essential caregivers and general visitors, including for active client cases, ensuring proper PPE use and leave immediately after visit;
- 25. Permit healthy staff to work between affected and unaffected units, if feasible;
- 26. Permit students to work on unaffected units before moving to affected units and with confirmed/suspected cases;
- 27. Restrict volunteers from working on the affected unit;
- 28. Restrict essential caregivers from working on other unaffected units;

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

- 29. Perform daily enhanced cleaning/disinfection in the rooms of confirmed/suspected cases;
- 30. Perform a terminal cleaning upon discontinuation of precautions;