COVID-19 Screening Workflow for McMaster PGME Learners

Learner completes online self screening assessment prior to shift
staffscreen.hhsc.ca
sjhhscreening.com

Green assessment or answered no to screening items → **Learner approved to return to work**

For HHS screening Red or yellow assessment or answered YES to any 2 screening symptoms, follow this process.

For SJHH, answering YES to any one screening symptom, follow this process

External Electives

If you are on an elective outside of McMaster, Learners must follow the screening workflow of the associated university, hospital, or clinic in which they are rotating. Learners are also responsible for following the HHS workflow and must update their home program director ASAP.

COVID hotline = SJHH OHS
EHS = HHS employee health services

Screening Symptoms

Any 1 symptom:
- fever (temp >37.8C)
- new onset cough/worsening cough
- difficulty breathing/shortness of breath
- loss of sense of smell, taste or both
- sore throat, difficulty swallowing
- runny nose, nasal congestion, sneezing
- headache, muscle aches
- unexplained fatigue/malaise
- nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, chills
- pink eye (conjunctivitis)

OR

If you have travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days

OR

If you have been in contact with someone who is sick and has travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days

OR

If you have been in contact with anyone who is suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19

OR

If you recently failed the screening and your NPS swab results were negative but;
- you have new symptoms and;
- prior symptoms have not resolved and;
- you have had a fever in the last 24 hours

Follow the pathway based on the Hospital you are working at

SJHH

Learner contacts COVID hotline (905) 522-1155 x.36131

Follow COVID hotline guidance, and if asked to book appointment, book online using this link for priority testing.

HHS

Learner must contact EHS for assessment (905) 521-2100 x42200 covidforms@hhsc.ca

EHS schedules an appointment at the West End Clinic WEC (Main West Building)

Lab notifies COVID hotline/EHS/Public Health of test results

COVID hotline/EHS/Public Health notify the Learner

COVID hotline notifies VP ed (SJHH). EHS notifies Manager of Medical Affairs (HHS)

VP ed/Medical Affairs notifies PGME office if self-isolation is required (pgmeres@mcmaster.ca)

PGME office confirms/informs the program that Learner is required to self-isolate

Positive

***inform PD of required self-isolation (not required to disclose reason)**

Learner to self isolate for 10 days & be symptom free

Negative

Follow instructions from COVID hotline/EHS regarding communicable diseases protocol (usually 24 hrs symptom free).

For Learner to return to work:

- symptoms have resolved
- fever free for 24 hrs
- Clearance by COVID hotline/EHS/Public Health to be able to return to work