Updated Screening Guidance for Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)
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The Winnebago County Health Department (WCHD) is notifying healthcare providers about the updated screening guidelines for the COVID-19 to include travel from affected geographic areas. At this time, the risk to the general public in Illinois remains low. Currently, no cases have been identified in Winnebago County. As a reminder, the Health Department is available 24/7 to support and assist Healthcare Providers at 815-720-4050.

Healthcare Providers Are Asked To Use The Updated Guidance Below:

1. Conduct a travel history for individuals presenting with fever and respiratory symptoms.
   - Use the chart below to identify patients with clinical symptoms that should be evaluated for 2019-nCoV

2. Promptly isolate all suspec Person Under Investigations (PUIs) as per guidance below.
   - Ask patients to wear a surgical mask as soon as they are identified
   - Evaluate patients in a private room with the door closed, ideally in a negative pressure room
   - Use standard contact, airborne and eye protection precautions (e.g., goggles or a face shield) when entering the room and/or collecting a specimen

3. Immediately contact your infection control team and the Winnebago County Health Department.
   - Notify the Winnebago County Health Department by calling 815-720-4050.
   - Complete the Patient Under Investigation (PUI) form at:
     - http://dph.illinois.gov/sites/default/files/pui-form%20IL_0.pdf
   - Fax the completed form to the Winnebago County Health Department at 815-962-5161

4. Assist with specimen collection and diagnostic testing when approval is obtained by WCHD.

For more information, please visit https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/.

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