

COVID-19 Outpatient and Home Visit Screening Tool

PATIENT IDENTIFICATION LABEL

- Footscray Hospital Williamstown Hospital
 Sunshine Hospital Sunbury Day Hospital

Use these questions to screen centre and home based outpatients and their support people for COVID-19.

Wherever possible, these questions should be asked prior to and on the day of the appointment. When conducting a home visit, screening questions should be asked of all individuals present at the home visit.

If screening indicates the individual is suspected to have COVID-19, the individual should be treated as though they have COVID-19, and the treating clinician and/or manager shall make a decision regarding the necessity of the appointment and put in place appropriate steps to minimise the risk of COVID-19 transmission.

COVID-19 screening questions	Answer (please check)
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do you have a temperature higher than 37.5°C OR chills?; or 2. Do you have symptoms of a cold or a cough such as: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. breathing difficulties such as breathlessness b. cough c. sore throat d. runny nose e. loss of taste or smell? 3. Are you awaiting COVID-19 test results (except as part of a surveillance testing program)?; or 4. Have you had contact with someone who has COVID-19 within the past 14 days (except while at work wearing appropriate PPE)¹?; or 5. Are you currently required to self-isolate or self-quarantine under the Quarantine, Isolation and Testing Order? 6. Have you tested positive to COVID-19 within the past 10 days and reached the end of your isolation period²? 	<p>YES to ANY question <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The individual has risk factors for COVID-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Escalate the positive screening result using local processes to determine whether to postpone or proceed with the appointment. Face to face appointments should be postponed unless deemed clinically essential • If proceeding with the appointment consider contacting the Infection Prevention team for risk mitigation strategies • Consider contacting the Infection Prevention team to determine recommendations for COVID-19 testing or isolation • Support people who answer YES to any questions will require further risk screening before they are permitted to enter Western Health <p>NO to ALL questions <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The individual is not currently suspected to have COVID-19</p>

¹Following contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case there are different guidelines relating to attending high risk settings, such as hospitals, depending on vaccination status. Please refer to the Department of the Health guidance for further information <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/how-we-live>

²Western Health requests that people in this category wear an N95 mask for the duration of the care being provided.

Signature:

Name:

Date: / /