

MedStar Ambulatory COVID-19 Phone Screening Protocol and Scripting

Due to the coronavirus outbreak we are screening all our patients for risk factors prior to scheduling an appointment. I need to ask you the follow questions:

- 1. "Do you currently have any of the following: fever/feel feverish, new or worsened cough/shortness of breath, sudden loss of taste/smell or two flu-like symptoms (body aches, shaking chills, headache, sore throat)?" ***If yes to above question, advise evaluation: "If you have not been evaluated for COVID-19 by a healthcare provider, you should schedule a visit with your primary care doctor or an Urgent Care provider on our eVisit platform. Visit medstarhealth.org/eVisit, for an appointment." *
- 2. "Have you been diagnosed with COVID19 in the past 10 days?"
- 3. "Do you live with someone who has been diagnosed with COVID19 in the past 14 days?"



If yes to <u>any</u> of the above questions, respond as follows:

"Because of your exposure or symptoms, we recommend scheduling or switching your appointment to a Telehealth Session."

If no to <u>all</u> the above:

Have you been diagnosed with COVID19 in the last 30 days?

- If no: "We can schedule you for an in-person or telehealth appointment."
- If yes: "Have you had a fever in the last 72 hours?"
 - If yes, at this time we must wait the 72-hour timeframe prior to coming in to the clinic, or we can offer you a Telehealth session at this time.
 - If no to a fever but yes for < 30 days: "Our provider will consult with you to determine the appropriate visit setting. (Telehealth or In-person). We will call you back."

"Please give us a call if you develop any of the above symptoms prior to your scheduled appointment. Please plan to arrive with your personal mask (without an exhalation valve) as it will be required. We also have a visitor policy in place which allows one visitor to accompany a patient only to help facilitate care or treatment, such as a parent of a child, or an individual assisting the patient with an assistive device (visitor must not be ill or show symptoms of illness)."

FOR MEDSTAR HEALTH ASSOCIATES calling to schedule an appointment:

"Do you currently have any of the following: fever/feel feverish, cough/shortness of breath that is new or worse than usual, sudden loss of taste/smell, or two flu-like symptoms (body aches, shaking chills, headache, sore throat)?"

If <u>yes</u>, advise patient to call Occupational Health call center for immediate RN phone screening.

This number is 1-844-354-3705. If <u>no</u>, proceed to 'No' algorithm above.