# **COVID-19 Move-In Guidelines Quick Reference** Long Term Care (LTC) or Personal Care Home (PCH)

# COVID-19

## A. ACUTE CARE or ALC DISCHARGE to LONG TERM CARE (LTC) HOME OR PERSONAL CARE HOME (PCH)

- All inpatients transferring to a LTC Home or PCH are to be tested in hospital 24 48 hours prior to transfer
  - If test results not available prior to transfer, consult with MHO is required \*Screening tool = SHA 0002 Screening Form

Scenario	Contact and Droplet Plus Isolation	Days Isolated	Offer Testing
Positive COVID-19 test OR Screening Tool Positive	Delay move in/transfer	Delay move in/transfer to LTC or PCH until 14 days following symptom onset or 48 hours after symptom resolution (whichever is later). Use test date if symptom onset unknown. Discuss urgent move in with MHO.	-
Symptomatic resident	Delay move in/transfer	Delay move in/transfer to LTC or PCH until 48 hours symptom-free and repeat test results are negative. 2 <sup>nd</sup> negative swab required 48 hours after symptom onset. MRP has assessed as low risk based on the Modifications of Precautions for COVID-19 Negative Inpatient and Residents Algorithm	Yes-2 <sup>nd</sup> swab required 48 hours after symptom onset
Inpatient >14 days in non-outbreak unit Asymptomatic and screen negative	NO	Isolation not required if inpatient longer than 14 days	Yes
Inpatient <14 days in non-outbreak unit Asymptomatic and screen negative	Yes	Remainder of 14 days since initial move in to acute care	Yes
Inpatient from outbreak hospital or unit	Delay move in/transfer	?until outbreak declared over, urgent transfers to be reviewed by MHO/designate/outbreak lead	Yes

### B. COMMUNITY OR ANY SETTING OUTSIDE OF ACUTE CARE TRANSFER TO LTC Home or PCH

• Tested in community prior to moving in

Scenario	Contact and Droplet Plus Isolation	Days Isolated	Offer Testing
All new move ins to LTC/PCH from sites other than acute care (Asymptomatic and Screen Negative)	Yes	14 days regardless of test results. Take temperature twice daily and monitor for symptoms of COVID-19	Yes
Positive COVID-19 test OR Screening Tool Positive	Delay move in/transfer	Delay move in/transfer to LTC or PCH until 14 days following symptom onset or 48 hours after symptom resolution (whichever is later). Use test date if symptom onset unknown. Discuss urgent move in with MHO.	-
Symptomatic resident	Delay move in/transfer	Delay move in/transfer to LTC or PCH until 48 hours symptom-free and repeat test results are negative. 2 <sup>nd</sup> negative swab required 48 hours after symptom onset. MRP has assessed as low risk based on the Modifications of Precautions for COVID-19 Negative Inpatient and Residents Algorithm	Yes-2 <sup>nd</sup> swab required 48 hours after symptom onset



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### RETURN HOME TO LTC or PCH FROM ACUTE CARE OR TRAVEL WITHIN THE COMMUNITY (I.E. **OPTOMETRIST VISIT, OUTPATIENT VISIT)**

Scenario	Contact and Droplet Plus Isolation	Days Isolated	Offer Testing
Acute care move in of 48 hours or longer	Follow direction in section A		-
Acute care move in <48 hour Asymptomatic and screen Negative	No	-	No
Acute care move in <48 hour Asymptomatic and screen Positive	Review with MHO/designate/outbreak lead	-	-
New Symptoms compatible with COVID-19	Reassess in Emergency Department prior to return to LTC or PCH	-	Yes

### D. ALL OTHER COMMUNITY EXPOSURE (GOING TO THE STORE, VISITING FAMILY AND FRIENDS, ETC.)

Scenario	Contact and Droplet Plus Isolation	Days Isolated	Offer Testing
Asymptomatic and screen negative	No	-	No
Asymptomatic and screen Positive, regardless of symptoms	Yes	14 days. Take temperature twice daily and monitor for symptoms compatible with COVID-19	Yes-utilize mobile testing option when available

Refer to the following documents located on the Government of Saskatchewan COVID-19 website for more detailed information:

#### **Clinical Practice Resources – Continuing Care**

- CV-19 WS0034 COVID-19 Testing Long Term Care or Personal Care Home Move In from Acute Care, Alternate Level of Care or Other Long Term Care Home
- CV-19 WS0035 COVID-19 Testing Long Term Care or Personal Care Home Move in from Community
- CV-19 WS0036 COVID-19 Testing Long Term Care or Personal Care Home Return to Home
- CV-19 G0042 Recommendations Testing Indications for Move In to Long Term Care or Personal Care Home

