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Apotex 6RF COVID-19 Outbreak

Final Control Measures

CASE DEFINITION

Any client or staff with lab confirmation of COVID-19.

SURVEILLANCE

- 1. Test new clients presenting with any one symptom compatible with COVID-19;
- 2. Initiate daily active surveillance for clients (IPAC) and staff (OHS) on the affected unit;

SIGNAGE AND ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONS

- 3. Place suspected/confirmed cases on Special Droplet/Contact Precautions with signage on the doors;
- 4. Post outbreak signage on unit entrance doors & keep them shut for the duration of the outbreak;
- 5. Post a printed copy of the Control Measures at the nursing station;
- 6. Implement universal use of masking for staff, visitors, and contractors on the outbreak unit;
- 7. Implement use of N95 respirators for any clients on Special Droplet/Contact precautions;
- 8. Implement universal eye protection for staff and essential visitors when within <2m of any client;
- 9. Use 'clustered care' and keep entries into the rooms of suspected/confirmed cases to a minimum;

ACCOMMODATION, COHORTING & ROOM RESTRICTIONS

- 10. Place confirmed cases into private rooms, whenever available/practical/feasible;
- 11. Cohort confirmed cases, when necessary/practical/feasible;
- 12. Restrict suspected/confirmed cases to their rooms for the duration of Special Precautions;
- 13. Use dedicated mobile equipment in the rooms of confirmed/suspected cases, when possible;
- 14. Disinfect mobile equipment that cannot be dedicated, using disinfectant wipes;

APPOINTMENTS, LEAVES OF ABSENCE & GROUP ACTIVITIES

15. Determine whether clients' medical appointments should be kept, at the discretion of MRPs;

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- 16. Schedule appointments end of day, if possible. Notify transport personnel and the receiving facility;
- 17. Suspend community leaves of absence for the duration of outbreak;
- 18. Organize recreational group activities for 4-5 well clients at a time only in the TV lounge;
- 19. Schedule recreational group activities at end of day and after activities for non-outbreak units;
- 20. Restrict clients from the outbreak unit from participating in any communal recreational group activities taking place outside the unit;
- 21. Communal dining can continue for well residents (1 client per table if feasible);

ADMISSIONS, RE-ADMISSIONS AND TRANSFERS

- 22. Permit new admissions to the affected unit only in consultation with IPAC;
- Permit early client discharges and repatriations to homes in the community;
- 24. Permit transfers between affected and unaffected units only in consultation with IPAC;
- 25. Coordinate inter-facility transfers with Toronto Public Health. Notify the receiving facility;

STAFF, PRIVATE & ESSENTIAL CAREGIVERS, STUDENTS, VOLUNTEERS, AND VISITORS

- 26. Restrict confirmed/suspected staff/caregiver/etc. cases from the unit until cleared by OHS/TPH;
- 27. Permit healthy staff to work between affected and unaffected units, if feasible;
- 28. Permit students to work on the affected unit and with confirmed/suspected cases;
- 29. Permit students to only work on either affected or unaffected units;
- 30. Restrict volunteers from working on the affected unit;
- 31. Permit essential caregivers on the unit, including for confirmed/suspected client cases;
- 32. Restrict essential caregivers from working on other unaffected units;

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

- 33. Perform daily enhanced cleaning/disinfection in the rooms of confirmed/suspected cases;
- 34. Perform a terminal cleaning upon discontinuation of precautions;