

### ***Exposures to Individuals with COVID-19***

An *exposure* is defined as: being within 6 feet (2 meters) of a COVID-19 case for a prolonged period of time *without* PPE; close contact can occur while caring for, living with, visiting, or sharing a healthcare waiting area or room with a COVID-19 case.

If an asymptomatic staff member has had an exposure as defined above to a positive COVID-19 individual, whether from a community based or patient care related situation, they should adhere to the following guidance:

--> Staff can continue to work while they self-monitor for symptoms for 14 days from last known date of the exposure. Staff with a known exposure that are asymptomatic should wear a facemask while working until 14 days after the last exposure.

The self-monitoring process includes:

1. Taking your temperature twice (2x) daily.
2. Noting any change in your respiratory symptoms (new cough, shortness of breath, or sore throat).

A copy of the Catholic Health Self-Monitoring Form is available on the Catholic Health Associate Intranet Home Page.

It is important to report any new symptoms to Associate Health through the COVID-19 Call Center. If staff have any questions regarding this exposure guidance, please contact the Associate Health COVID-19 Call Center: Phone: (716) 447-6418; Email:

[AssocHealthCovid19@chsbuffalo.org](mailto:AssocHealthCovid19@chsbuffalo.org)

CH Current Census:	47% Occupied (without Mother and Baby)
CH inpatient Patients Under Investigation for COVID-19:	48 (16 in ICU, 11 on Vent)
CH inpatient Patients diagnoses with COVID-19:	12 (6 in ICU 5 on Vent)
CH inpatient total community members' expired:	3 (1 in last 24 hours)

The latest COVID-19 case numbers (Source CDC/JHU):

Worldwide:	558,502	US:	86,012
NYS:	39,140	Erie & Niagara County:	240

Today Urgent Cases = 37

I would like to bring your attention to the agenda for tonight's conference call:

- Post Exposure PPE policy
- DOH Update
- St Joe's & Surge Plan
- Cardiology Presentation = Dr. Eram Chaudhry
- Caregivers that wish to volunteer/Donate please call the medical staff office (Credentialing and Liability Coverage) at (716)512-8991
- Medical Staff Blood Drive Blood Drive, Tuesday, March 31, 2020.

I will continue to be transparent about our preparation measurements and reasons behind an escalation of our plan in our facilities as we tackle this challenge together. Please let's take care of ourselves, our love ones, our colleagues, and our community.