

COVID-19 Resource Guide for Primary Care Practices

HIGH PRIORITY ACTION ITEMS [TRIAGE]

- ☐ Reach out to your high risk patients: check on their status and advise on how to prevent transmission of COVID-19; check on potential issues related to social isolation and reduction of access to care (COVID-19 Practice Process Map)
 - Use your EMR to identify high risk patients
 - Use CRISP Pre-AH tool risk scores to identify MDPCP-attributed high risk patients
- ☐ Develop Triage process: Patient Flow Guide; CDC Phone Advice & Algorithm
- ☐ Develop process to prioritize testing (Links: 3/26/20 MDH Letter to Clinicians;

BMI Remote Assessment)

☐ Reschedule in-person non-essential medical and surgical procedures (e.g. Annual Wellness Visits) per MD State Order; CMS Guidelines

CAPACITY BUILDING

- ☐ Set up capacity for Telemedicine: <u>Vendor List</u>; <u>CMS Toolkit</u>; <u>MHCC Readiness</u> Assessment *New
- ☐ Develop Telemedicine process: Guide; AAFP Coding Algorithm *New
- ☐ Reschedule non-essential medical visits per MD State Order
 - Traditional office visits like AWVs and TCM Visits can be completed via Telemedicine with a -95 modifier
 - Any patient who has access to Telemedicine tools should be evaluated through Telemedicine as priority
- ☐ Conduct and track inventory of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Test Kits (PPE Request Form to send to Local Health Department)
- ☐ Ensure staff is properly trained in <u>nasopharyngeal swabbing</u>
- ☐ Locate well-ventilated areas in or around your practice to examine and screen patients safely
 - Outdoor area such as a parking lot with tent
 - Indoor designated room (Consider HVAC, exhaust capability)
- ☐ Locate non-office-based local entities to refer patients for testing
- ☐ Ensure adequate environmental cleaning products and procedures for all clinical and waiting room areas; educate minimal person-to-person contact
- ☐ Ensure you have safety practices for staff who may have had exposure to a
- patient with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 (CDC)

PATIENT EDUCATION (Care Management Workflow)

- ☐ Post signage outside of entrances and in waiting rooms about prevention
- ☐ Reach out and educate your patient population via <u>waiting room flyers</u>, <u>patient</u> flyers, Patient Portal, telephone, email, and social media
- ☐ Encourage patients to call ahead prior to visiting in person and promote Telemedicine services

Resources for Providers

- Communicate: Stay at Home Order
- Evaluation & Testing: CDC Criteria; MDH Clinician Letter (3/26)
- Testing: VEIP Sites FAQs; Non-Office **Based**
- MDH Past and Upcoming Webinars
- **CDC**: Print Resources for Patients
- MDH, MDPCP: Provider Resources
- Telemedicine and Prescribing Controlled Substances Guidance
- CARES Act Provider Relief Fund-Complete attestation within 30 days of receipt *New

Resources for Medical Support Staff

- MDH Patient Education One-Pager (English/Spanish)
- Front Desk Triage Workflow

Resources for Care Managers

- Care Management Workflow
- **COVID-19 Resources**

Resources for Billers

- Medicare Telemedicine Services Fact Sheet (HCPCS/CPT Codes); FAQs
- Medicaid; Audio-only
- Commercial Plans: CareFirst, Cigna
- MDPCP Billing Resource Guide; RS&F Webinar Recording (4/9/20) *New

General Resources

- MDH & Local Health Departments
- MDH FAQs and FAQs for Older Adults
- **CDC**