

As of 3/19/20

## **Stone Run Family Medicine – Evaluation and Testing Protocol:**

Schedulers ask: 1) Do you have a fever, cough or are short of breath? 2) Do you have any runny nose, sneezing, or nasal congestion? Proceed as follows:

- Fever, cough, and/or shortness of breath +/- sore throat WITHOUT runny nose, sneezing, or nasal congestion ----- schedule for evaluation late in the day in the parking lot.
- Fever, cough, and or shortness of breath without sore throat WITH runny nose, sneezing, or nasal congestion ----- indicate to stay at home for at least 24 hours after the fever abates
- Fever, cough, and/or shortness of breath with sore throat WITH runny nose ----- schedule for evaluation late in the day in the parking lot.

Providers should consider:

- Point of care Strep A throat swab and throat culture as part of the evaluation for those with a sore throat.
- Influenza testing.
- If point of care influenza testing is negative: consider SARS-COV-2 testing, especially if
  - the patient is older,
  - with increased risk of complications from COVID-19, or
  - if patient would place those in close proximity at increased risk of complications from COVID-19.

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