COVID-19 FACT SHEET

Corizon Health is working with local correctional and health departments in all the states and counties we serve to ensure our staff are prepared to quickly identify, isolate, and manage COVID-19 during this pandemic in order to protect incarcerated persons and facility staff.

SCREENING

• Corizon medical staff is trained to recognize the symptoms of COVID-19. Based on recommendations of the CDC, we have developed screening tools to identify potentially infectious individuals before they enter the facility and the general population.
• As all new admissions to a facility are evaluated using screening tools, anyone identified as potentially infectious is asked to wear a face mask and is quickly isolated.
• A treatment plan is established for each person under investigation while in a protected and monitored environment according to CDC guidelines. Care is coordinated with local treatment centers as necessary if there is high suspicion of COVID-19.

SANITATION

• Precautions are taken by attending to sanitation and the use of movement restrictions or quarantine when necessary, working in partnership with facility leadership.
• We are educating patients on good hand hygiene, coughing and sneezing etiquette, avoiding touching their face, and alerting medical staff immediately if they have any symptoms.

RECOMMENDATIONS

• Corizon Health is working with our correctional partners on protocols recommended by CDC for suspected cases, including:
  • Obtaining local testing kits, conducting tests, and identifying proper isolation areas for symptomatic patients and quarantine for those exposed.
  • Minimizing transfers and movements of incarcerated persons, and then providing symptom screening for all persons being transferred or released, and appropriate personal protective equipment for Movement and Transport Officers.
  • Implement social distancing to increase physical space in common areas such as recreation area, cafeteria, and group activities.
  • Expansion of telemedicine.
  • Review inventory of supplies and medications which might be in short supply.