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Re: Suggested Infectious Public Safety Pre-Duty Screening

Distribution: All EMS Agencies, REMO Physicians

Date: March 16, 2020

Purpose:

To prescreen individuals for illness prior to duty to help assure safety of workforce, safety of the public and assure public confidence.

Process:

Have a supervisor screen the individual when reporting to work. Alternatively, consider using a modified ICS 211p, and have individual check-in and attest to the absence of symptoms at the start of shift.

Individuals should not work if they have ANY of the following:

- a. Fever whether measured or not
- b. Cough
- c. Body Aches
- d. Sore throat
- e. Difficulty Breathing

If possible, take the individual's temperature or have them take it themselves. If temperature is greater than 100.0°F, they should not work.

To take a temperature, consider using disposable temperature strips or an infrared temperature device to reduce chances of cross-contamination.

Medical Screening REQUIRED Prior to Entry

All individuals entering attest to not currently having ANY of the following:

- Fever whether measured or not
- Cough
- Body Aches
- Sore throat
- Difficulty Breathing

If you cannot attest to the above, you will not be granted entry.

Take your temperature and record it.

If your temperature is greater than 100.0 F, you will not be granted entry.

You must attest that you have none of the above symptoms nor have a measured temperature.