GUIDELINES FOR STAFF AND FACULTY REPORTING STUDENT-RELATED COVID-19 CONCERNS

Centralized reporting/tracking for all students will be conducted by the Assistant Dean of Operations.

- If you are contacted by a student who is experiencing symptoms, has concerns that they have been exposed to a patient who tested positive for COVID-19 or who has tested positive themselves for COVID-19, notify Carol Schuster at (716) 534-1882 or via email at schust@uic.edu. The notification should include the student’s name, a brief description of the situation and the student’s cell phone number. If the student has symptoms, also refer them to their primary care physician, if they have not yet been in contact with them.
- Carol will notify the Winnebago County Health Department (WCHD) promptly of any student identified as a case/potential case/contact with positive COVID-19 individual. Carol will work with the WCHD and will be the primary contact for additional information relative to the student.
- Representatives from the Winnebago County Health Department will reach out to the student for triage and case investigation. Please note: The Winnebago County Health Department contact may take up to 24 hours from the time you notified Carol.
- If a student becomes symptomatic while on campus or on a rotation, if possible, advise the student to leave the campus or other location quickly – go home and contact their primary care provider. If the individual is in need of immediate medical attention, call 911. Follow above reporting instructions. Call Carol to report the situation, student’s name and cell phone number.
- Contact Chris Berndt to alert him of the need for facility services in the location/locations of the identified individual to:
  - Clean and sanitize locations
  - Close impacted room/rooms for 24 hours

Communication - General notices will be coordinated through Carrie Foust (608) 346-2831. All media inquiries must be coordinated with WCHD. Carrie can coordinate or refer reporter to northernillinoispio@gmail.com.

Non-compliance with quarantine/isolation

Students who are non-compliant must be reported to Carol, who will report to the WCHD.

WCHD RESPONSE AND FOLLOW-UP

- Case investigation – when a positive case has been identified.
- Contact tracing of all household/contact
- Notify infection prevention control teams at related health centers
- Arrange for alternate housing and support, if indicated
- Provide UIC Response Team (Carol Schuster 716.534.188) with cases/contacts and tentative release dates for isolation/quarantine
  - General guidelines
    - Symptomatic regardless of test result – isolate for 10 days from symptom onset with a minimum of 24 hours fever-free without fever reducing medications
    - Asymptomatic with positive test result – isolate for 10 days from date of test
    - Close/household contact – quarantine for 14 days from date of last exposure with case.
  - Communication to support messaging, including general notices and responding to media inquiries
  - Recommend testing as appropriate
    - Contacts 5–7 days after exposure
  - Report non-compliance with quarantine/isolation.
  - Provide notice when quarantine/isolation is lifted.

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