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Standing Order to Administer *BinaxNOW* Abbott Rapid Antigen Test for COVID-19 in Schools

Purpose

To reduce transmission of the SARS-CoV-2 virus in the school community by using the BinaxNOW COVID-19 Ag Card to identify cases of COVID-19. Test to be administered to test symptomatic staff members and students from any public or private school that serves Grades Pre-K – 12, or any higher education institution in Missouri who meet at least one of the criteria listed below.

- Any new cough, difficulty breathing, loss of taste/smell, fever ($\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$), congestion/runny nose, nausea/vomiting/diarrhea, sore throat, headache, myalgia.

Policy

This standing order authorizes any Registered Professional Nurse or Licensed Practical Nurse who is licensed by the Missouri State Board of Nursing or has a privilege to practice in the State of Missouri from another compact state to test symptomatic staff members and students from any public or private school that serves Grades Pre-K – 12, or any higher education institution in Missouri with the BinaxNOW rapid antigen test. After receiving documented training, the designee of any aforementioned RN or LPN may also administer this test.

Procedure

1. Evaluate students and staff with the above criteria for symptoms of COVID-19
2. Provide Abbott Fact Sheet For Patients
3. Offer opportunity for questions
4. Ensure permission has been obtained
5. Administer the test pursuant to the Product Insert and Procedure Card
6. Document
 - a. Date, time, location of test
 - b. Name, title, and professional license number of person administering the test
 - c. Name of test and manufacturer lot and number
 - d. Results of the test
 - e. Presenting symptoms
 - f. Verification of signed consent form
7. After completing the required initial onboarding process established by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (“DHSS”), submit the required data and all test results via secure file transfer protocol in accordance with the procedure specified by DHSS within twenty-four hours of each test’s administration

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8. In the event of a positive test result, immediately notify the designated point of contact at the local health authority in order for contact tracing to begin and appropriate control measures to be established pursuant to the statewide Order issued by DHSS on August 7, 2020.

This order and procedure shall remain in effect until rescinded or until June 30, 2021.

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