



PHG COVID-19 Update: April 7

Dear Valued Providers

We want to be a resource to our Premier Health Group Independent providers. That is why we will be sending out a daily COVID-19 email to provide updates.

In addition, we have created a resources page on the [PHG website](#). Please bookmark this page as it will be updated regularly with clinical updates and helpful resources.

Please feel free to contact us directly at **(937) 499-7441** with any questions you might have or if you would like to speak with our Medical Director, Scott Swabb, DO.

Yours sincerely,

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CDC Recommendations to Discontinue Home Isolation

Persons with COVID-19 who have symptoms and were directed to care for themselves at home may discontinue home isolation under the following conditions:

- At least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* defined as resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications
- and
- Improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath)
- and
- At least 7 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*.

Update: Visitor Restrictions

COVID-19 Visitor Restrictions Strengthened to Protect Patients and Further Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 - from a Greater Dayton Area Hospital Association (GDAHA) press release: Effective April 7, revisions have been made to visitor restrictions for outpatient and ambulatory care centers, hospitals and emergency departments, and visitor screening - including visitors no longer being allowed in emergency departments, with limited exceptions. [Find out more.](#)



Assistance During Surge

Thank you to the many providers who have stepped forward to indicate their willingness to help during a surge. As we prepare, you will receive a test message via text from our OneCall system later this week. Please look for the text and respond to validate your number. If you have responded to the survey and do not hear from us by Friday, please contact the PHG office at **(937) 499-7441** and leave a voicemail with the phone number where you can be reached.

We will be offering training and refresher courses to providers who volunteer. Watch for more information this week.

If you are still interested in signing up, it is not too late. We are asking for your help now so we can get a feel for the size of the potential provider labor pool. Some physicians, due to the nature of their training, would be able to work in a clinical space during the COVID-19 pandemic in which they are not currently working. These temporary privileges would have to be at the facility at which you currently have privileges. We have a brief [survey](#) to capture the required information. We understand that many offices plan to remain open. **We are still asking that you complete the survey in case the situation changes.** Thank you for your help!

PHG Hotline Number

To assist you in assessing which patients are appropriate for screening, Premier Health has opened a command center hotline number for the independent / PHG providers in the community. **Please call 937-208-5628 and press option 4 to talk with the command center team about confirming your patient should be sent to the collection site.**