



## PHG COVID-19 Update: May 18

Dear Valued Providers

We want to be a resource to our Premier Health Group Independent providers. As planning is underway for expanding access to health care services, we want to provide clinical information and operational updates to help you plan for re-entry.

In addition, we have created a resources page on the [PHG website](#).

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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## Pre-operative Testing

On Monday, May 18, Premier Health surgery scheduling will begin offering additional services to assist with COVID-19 testing orders. As a reminder, all intubated patients are required to be COVID tested and it is highly recommended for all other surgeries. This enhances level of patient care, protects providers and staff and helps conserve PPE.

Please continue to schedule as you normally have, either by calling, using a reservation form or faxing an order sheet and include the COVID-19 test order. If the order is included on the reservation form, the surgery scheduling team will enter the order. **Providers who have been ordering the COVID-19 test via Epic ambulatory from their office may continue to do so.** As a reminder, the diagnosis code to be used is **z11.59**.

The surgeon is responsible for notifying the patient of the timing (48-72 hours prior to surgery) of the testing and locations (the testing locations are in the link below).

If a positive COVID-19 result is found, CompuNet will notify the ordering provider and the Ohio Department of Health. Proceeding with the procedure/surgery will be at the clinical discretion of the surgeon and anesthesiologist. [Please view the guide for patients with tips for how to schedule and prepare for their procedure or surgery.](#)



## GAHA Visitor Restrictions & Guidelines

Greater Dayton Area Hospital Association (GAHA) has released new visitor restrictions and screening and facial covering/mask guidelines. **Effective Tuesday, May 19**, visitor restrictions will be adjusted to accommodate patients and prevent the spread of COVID-19.

- View the full guidelines on:
  - [Visitors for Outpatient, Ambulatory, Emergency Department, and Hospitalized Patients](#)
  - [Screening & Facial Covering/Mask Guidelines](#)

## Update: CompuNet Updates

CompuNet has provided the following updates for providers:

- New Option for COVID-19 PCR Testing
- Current COVID-19 Test Offerings
- Respiratory PCR Panel Orders
- Expanded Patient Service Center (PSC) Hours
- Patient Self-pay Options for COVID-19 IgG Antibody Testing
- Memorial Day Closings

[Click here to read the CompuNet updates.](#)

## Coding Guidelines for COVID-19

[Click here to view the slide deck](#) to find out information regarding the below topics. Providers may have some of this information, but we want to ensure this has been shared.

- New ICD-10 CM for COVID-19
- General Diagnosis Guidance
- Exposure to COVID-19
- Coding Guidance

## Premier Health Urgent Care - Piqua Now Open

As of Monday, May 18, Premier Health Urgent Care will open its ninth location in Piqua. Beginning Monday, providers may send patients who are having surgery at a Premier Health hospital to have pre-operative COVID-19 testing at this location.

### The urgent care is located at:

Outpatient Care Center North  
(Premier Health building)  
280 Looney Road, Suite 107  
Piqua, OH 45356

## Inpatient COVID-19 Screening Message to Patients

Nothing matters more to us during a patient's stay than their safety and peace of mind. Premier Health is committed to ensuring patients have a caring, comfortable environment in which to heal. Given various public health initiatives to slow the spread of COVID-19, we are implementing universal COVID-19 screening of patients admitted to our hospitals for several reasons. [Click here to read the message for patients.](#)



## Premier Health Group is continuing to try and assist with obtaining PPE for our community partners

### Public Health Department

Public Health has a limited supply of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) from federal, state and local resources. Most of these assets were initially targeted for first responder organizations, however we now have some available to support Responsible Restart Ohio. These resources are available for our Montgomery County healthcare partners.

Available PPE inventory includes the following:

- N95 Respirators
- Face Shields
- Surgical Masks
- Gloves

Please click on the following link to submit your request:

<https://surveys.phdmc.org/s3/COVID-19-EOC-Resource-Request>

Please Note: while every effort will be made to fulfill all requests, due to the number of requests we may receive, we cannot guarantee that all requests will be met.

**Action Required: the only action required is accessing the above link and submitting a request for PPE if there is a need.**

For more information: Contact **Larry Cleek** at **(937) 225-4483** for additional information on PPE.

### Steck Medical

Premier Health has procured a local distributor to help acquire PPE. Steck Medical, a local distributor, has developed a process to secure PPE from a local source that offers both ordering and fulfillment. [Click here for more information.](#)