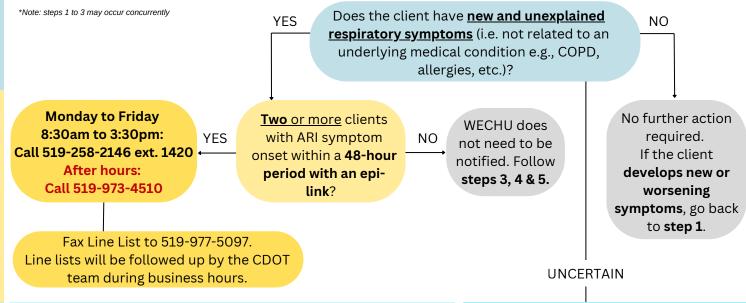
## Respiratory Outbreak Management Algorithm for CLS





- The ill client should be placed on additional precautions in a private room. If a private room is unavailable, implement additional precautions and the following measures: 1) draw the curtain 2) dedicate equipment 3) encourage masking 4) ensure adequate ventilation.
- The roommate (if applicable) should be placed on additional precautions while awaiting lab results for the ill client.
- Non-roommate close contacts should be monitored daily for symptoms, wear a mask when receiving care and when outside their room, and physically distance from others while awaiting lab results for the ill client.
- Use droplet contact precautions when providing direct care or interacting within 2 metres of the ill client/close contact:
   Medical mask, eye protection, gown and gloves.
- Review <u>Recommendations for Outbreak Prevention and</u>
   <u>Control in Institutions and Congregate Living Settings</u> and
   WECHU <u>Outbreak Quick Guide 5.0</u> for specific IPAC measures.

- Place the client on additional precautions for 24 hours to monitor for new or worsening symptoms.
- **Consult** with the client's healthcare provider (HCP) for an assessment.
- Use droplet contact precautions when providing direct care or interacting with the client: Medical mask, eye protection, gown and gloves.
- If new or worsening symptoms develop, go back to step 1.
- If no new or worsening symptoms develop and/or if there is an alternate, non-infectious diagnosis, additional precautions may be discontinued and testing is not required.
- Refer the client to their HCP for lab test to identify cause of illness.
- COVID-19 Testing
  - **Book an appointment:** Clients can get PCR testing at a local pharmacy.
  - Visit <u>ontario.ca/assessment-centre-locations/</u> for a list of pharmacies providing PCR testing for individuals with symptom consistent with COVID-19 infection.
- If testing is not available or client refuses to test, refer to syndromic case definitions in the <u>Recommendations</u> for <u>Outbreak Prevention and Control in Institutions and Congregate Living Settings</u> (pages 54-56).

Refer to Recommendations for Outbreak Prevention and Control in Institutions and Congregate Living Settings.

- Case Management: Page 51.
- Contact Management: Page 52.
- Antivirals: Client should consult with their HCP for treatment.

Review the WECHU <u>Outbreak Quick Guide 5.0</u> for a summary of IPAC measures.

It is the facility's responsibility to follow and implement all measures as set out in the Recommendations for Outbreak Prevention and Control in Institutions and Congregate Living Settings (February 2025, or as current). If there are any discrepancies between this document and the guidance, the directions from the guidance should be followed. Consult WECHU for outbreak questions.