## **COVID-19 INFORMATION FOR PHC PARTICIPATING GROUPS**

## **Coalition Health Centers**

We have been working with our vendor-partners on ways to best support you and your participants during this period of uncertainty surrounding COVID-19. The situation is changing day-to-day, but the following are the updates as they have been announced:

## 3/12/2020 – Applies to both Anchorage and Fairbanks CHCs

All patients with respiratory symptoms should call the clinic prior to presenting for services; this protocol is in line with CDC and Department of Health recommendations. This is also in line with the protocols being utilized in the local hospitals. Coalition Health Center team members will do a prescreening related to travel, exposure and symptoms and work with our medical providers to determine care plan. Based on the answers to the screening questions the patient will be advised to stay home and self-isolate or come into the clinic for evaluation and possible testing. The advice will be in line with the CDC and WHO recommendations. This approach will allow the CHC to protect the patient, other patients in the waiting areas and the medical team. Anyone presenting for medical services with respiratory symptoms will be required to wear a mask and gloves at minimum.

The Coalition Health Center has the capability to conduct COVID-19 testing. Testing will be conducted at provider discretion and in alignment with CDC.

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