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Memorandum

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To: All Health Care Providers
From: Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH) & Yukon Communicable Disease Control (YCDC)
Subject: Provider Update #7: 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

Dear Colleagues,

As many of you are aware there have been many changes in the geographic distribution of COVID-19 over the past few days.

See COVID-19 Testing recommendations (2020-03-09) attached. Consider posting these recommendations in your facility for ongoing reference.

As a reminder, to support lab testing for COVID-19 when clients present, it is important to provide masks to clients and that clinics use contact and droplet precautions and use appropriate PPE including:

- facial protection: **mask and eye protection**, or face shield, or mask with visor attachment
- a clean, non-sterile, long-sleeved gown;
- gloves;

For surveillance purposes, routine respiratory viral specimens will be tested for COVID-19.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dr. Elliott or YCDC.

Thank you,

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