HEALTHCARE PROVIDER ALERT September 22, 2020



IMPORTANT UPDATES ON COVID-19

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> Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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To: Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Nurses, and Midwives Hospital Infection Control Departments and Emergency Departments

An important update relating to symptoms is included in this alert.

COVID Symptoms

The Ministry of Health has released an update to the <u>COVID-19 Reference Document for</u> <u>Symptoms</u> / <u>French Version</u> **V.7.0 (September 21, 2020)**.

Highlighted changes include assessing for the symptoms with the focus on evaluating if they are **new, worsening, or different from an individual's baseline health status (usual state)**.

Additionally, symptoms should not be chronic or related to other known causes or conditions.