# COVID-19 procedure for students who become ill on campus

### Purpose:

This document provides guidance on the steps you should follow if you are feeling unwell to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 on campus and ensure you are properly supported.

#### General procedure:

You should be aware of the latest identified symptoms related to COVID-19 by frequently visiting <a href="www.visiting.vukon.ca/covid">wukon.ca/covid</a>. If you have experienced any of the following symptoms (no matter how mild) in the past ten days, stay home and do not go to campus:

- Fever/chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Runny nose
- Sore throat

- Headache
- Loss of sense of taste or smell
- Fatigue
- Loss of appetite
- Nausea and vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Muscle aches

Complete the Yukon Government <u>COVID-19 Self-Assessment</u>, call the Health Line at 811 and follow the directions from Yukon Health, which may include arranging for a COVID-19 test and isolation.

If required to self-isolate and/or arrange a COVID-19 test, inform the University by emailing <a href="mailto:covidsupport@yukonu.ca">covidsupport@yukonu.ca</a>. A designated member of the YukonU COVID-19 Support Team and/or your Community Campus Coordinator will contact you privately to follow up and ensure you have support throughout the process. If you live on campus, include your unit number in the email to ensure proper coordination with the Campus Housing Office.

Complete your test and isolation as directed by Yukon Health and only end your isolation and/or return to campus after Yukon Health has confirmed it is safe for you to do so.

Email <u>covidsupport@yukonu.ca</u> once your test results come in and at any time additional support is required.

For additional procedural information specific to students living on campus, please see *Campus Housing COVID-19 Procedures*. This document will be emailed to Campus Housing students during the first week in December.

If you require assistance with arranging a safe isolation space, email <a href="mailto:covid19info@gov.yk.ca">covid19info@gov.yk.ca</a> for assistance.

If you require emergency funding to support your self-isolation, email <a href="mailto:financialaid@yukonu.ca">financialaid@yukonu.ca</a>.

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## If you become ill while on campus:

- Put on a mask if not already wearing one, perform proper hand hygiene and avoid contact with others (ensuring 2 m distance is maintained) and the environment, minimizing touch points.
- Arrange to return home and leave campus immediately. If you live on campus, return to your Unit.
- Follow the general procedures outlined above.

#### Transportation options when ill (in recommended order):

- Drive yourself home in your own vehicle.
- Be picked up by a family member or friend.
- Arrange for a taxi.
- Call 911 if you require emergency medical assistance.

#### Important reminders if transporting yourself when ill:

- Do not ride on public transportation when you are feeling ill.
- If arranging for transportation with someone else (whether family, friend, taxi or ambulance), ensure that the operator and/or driver and any other occupants know that you are feeling ill prior to pick up so they can take the necessary precautions.
- If in a vehicle other than your own or you are with other individuals, everyone in the vehicle should be wearing a mask.

#### Non-compliance:

COVID precautions fall under our Occupational Health and Safety Policies. Individuals who don't comply with these procedures are considered in violation of our OH&S policies and may be subject to disciplinary action.

# Privacy and confidentiality:

- We understand that disclosing personal information, particularly related to your health, is a sensitive matter. Yukon University respects the privacy of its students and handles all personal information with the utmost care.
- At this time, non-employees are not required to disclose information related to COVID-19 isolation and testing; however, in an effort to keep you and all YukonU community members safe, we ask that you inform the University of a positive test result to better ensure all necessary protocols are being followed and appropriate supports are provided.
- Disclosure of a positive COVID-19 test results cannot result in punitive action.
- In accordance with privacy laws, your information will not be disclosed except to member(s) of the YukonU COVID-19 Support Team charged with managing this information.
- When necessary to notify the YukonU community of a COVID-19 case on campus, all
  effort is made to protect the identifying details of the individual who is ill.
- Yukon University maintains a daily record of attendees on campus in the event of contact tracing. If a student tests positive for COVID-19, any required contact tracing would be the responsibility of Yukon Health.

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