SARS Risk Factor Screening Tool

SECTION A: SARS Symptoms
Are you experiencing any of the following symptoms:
• New / worse cough (onset within 7 days) OR
• New / worse shortness of breath (worse than what is normal for you)?

SECTION B: Temperature
Are you feeling feverish, had shakes or chills in the last 24 hours?
Is the temperature above 38°C?

SECTION C: SARS Contact History
1. Have you had contact with a person with SARS while not wearing protection against SARS in the 10 days prior to onset of this illness?
2. Have you been in a healthcare facility designated as Category 2 or 3 in the last 10 days prior to onset of this illness?
3. Has Public Health asked you to be in home quarantine or isolation in the 10 days prior to onset of this illness?
4. Have you been to any of the following SARS-affected areas in the last 10 days (facility to insert areas)?

SECTION D: SARS Risk Factors (do not complete during screening of staff, outpatients and visitors at facility entrances during outbreak)
1. Have you, or a member of your household or someone you have had close contact with, traveled within the last 30 days to China?
2. Have you been admitted to a hospital* in the 10 days prior to the onset of this illness?
3. Does anyone in your household, or a close contact, have fever or pneumonia?
4. Are you a healthcare worker with direct patient contact in a healthcare facility?
5. Do you live in a nursing home* that has had an outbreak in the 10 days prior to onset of the illness?

* Facilities in Toronto region, York region, Durham region of Ontario or Taiwan, Singapore or Hong Kong are considered as positive risk factors.

Apply the appropriate Assessment Algorithm to data.
For more information: www.health.gov.on.ca
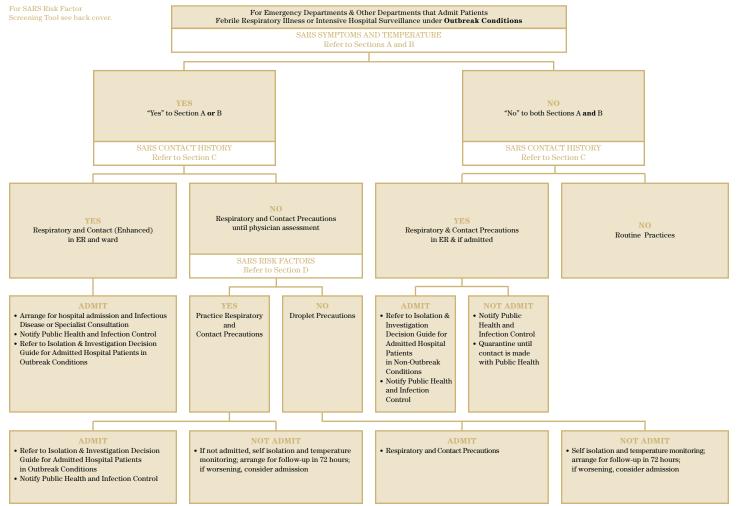
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Outbreak Conditions

SARS Risk Management Algorithm and Risk Factor Screening Tool

For Emergency Departments & Other Departments that Admit Patients

Febrile Respiratory Illness Surveillance under **Outbreak Conditions.**

SARS Hotline for healthcare professionals only 1-866-212-2272

SARS Risk Management Algorithm (Outbreak Conditions)

For SARS Risk Factor Screening Tool see back cover.

For Emergency Departments & Other Departments that Admit Patients
Febrile Respiratory Illness or Intensive Hospital Surveillance under **Outbreak Conditions**

SARS SYMPTOMS AND TEMPERATURE
Refer to Sections A and B

YES
"Yes" to Section A **or** B

SARS CONTACT HISTORY
Refer to Section C

YES
Respiratory and Contact (Enhanced) in ER and ward

ADMIT
- Arrange for hospital admission and Infectious Disease or Specialist Consultation
- Notify Public Health and Infection Control
- Refer to Isolation & Investigation Decision Guide for Admitted Hospital Patients in Outbreak Conditions

NO
Respiratory and Contact Precautions until physician assessment

SARS RISK FACTORS
Refer to Section D

YES
Practice Respiratory and Contact Precautions

ADMIT
- Refer to Isolation & Investigation Decision Guide for Admitted Hospital Patients in Outbreak Conditions
- Notify Public Health and Infection Control

NOT ADMIT
- If not admitted, self isolation and temperature monitoring; arrange for follow-up in 72 hours; if worsening, consider admission

NO
Droplet Precautions

NO
"No" to both Sections A **and** B

SARS CONTACT HISTORY
Refer to Section C

YES
Respiratory & Contact Precautions in ER & if admitted

ADMIT
- Refer to Isolation & Investigation Decision Guide for Admitted Hospital Patients in Non-Outbreak Conditions
- Notify Public Health and Infection Control

ADMIT
- Respiratory and Contact Precautions

NOT ADMIT
- Notify Public Health and Infection Control
- Quarantine until contact is made with Public Health

NOT ADMIT
- Self isolation and temperature monitoring; arrange for follow-up in 72 hours; if worsening, consider admission

NO
Routine Practices

This Algorithm is intended to be used in conjunction with, and not in place of, the directives as issued by Ontario's health ministry.