

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY

1 Communicable Diseases

- 1.1 All communicable diseases that may have a potential to create an epidemic, such as measles, TB, Covid -19, etc. will be reported to the appropriate agency based upon current regulations governing that site.
 - 1.1.1 During a time of a infectious communicable disease with community spread, protective measures, including health staff screening, limiting visitation and other measures may be implemented per the direction of public health authorities and/or local and state agencies, during a time of crisis.
 - 1.1.2 Waivers will be sought as needed from the appropriate governmental or state agencies as needed for restrictions that may normally be a considered a infringement upon client rights.
 - 1.1.3 Any staff suspected of a communicable disease will not be allowed to work and must be cleared by a physician before returning to work, or will follow the recommendations of the public health department during an outbreak.
- 1.2 Persons who have a contagious disease may be isolated, if possible, to prevent the spread of the disease.
- 1.3 Recommendations by the local public health department will be implemented and may vary per each incident of communicable disease.

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