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# **REVISION HISTORY Date of Next** Rev **Description of Change Review Date** No. Review Added clearance for high risk close contact 01 July 17, 2020 June 2022 Added accomplishment of daily symptom monitoring log form and online health declaration Removal of back to work clearances for HCWs August 29, 2022 August 2025 coming from a long vacation leave 02 Removal of High-risk close contacts/exposures Removal of health declaration every 2 weeks

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## I. OBJECTIVE

This shall serve as guidance for securing Infirmary clearance among healthcare workers.

#### II. SCOPE

This guideline applies to all PHC healthcare workers who are securing back to work clearance.

#### **III. GUIDELINES**

- 1. HCWs who are required to secure Infirmary Clearance upon their return to work:
  - 1.1 HCWs who present with flu-like symptoms, or symptoms suggestive of Covid-19 infection.
  - 1.2 Post discharged suspect, probable or confirmed Covid-19 case.

# 2. HCWs who are not required to secure Infirmary Clearance upon their return to work:

- 2.1 HCWs coming from their tour of duty at the COVID-19 ward or ICU and without flu-like symptoms, or symptoms suggestive of COVID-19 infection.
- 2.2 HCWs who are asymptomatic and coming from a long vacation leave.

## 3. RETURN TO WORK PRACTICES & RESTRICTIONS

Upon return to work, HCW should:

- 3.1 Always wear appropriate mask while in the healthcare facility (see GL-OED-ICP-004 Personal Protective Equipment)
- 3.2 Adhere to hand hygiene, respiratory hygiene, and cough etiquette in CDC's interim infection control guidance (e.g., cover nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing, dispose of tissues in waste receptacles).
- 3.3 Accomplish daily symptom monitoring log form.
- 3.4 Seek re-evaluation from the Infirmarian if respiratory symptoms recur or worsen.