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#### I. GENERAL STATEMENT

There should be a dedicated Safety Officer per unit / office, who shall act as a coordinator and at the same time monitor the implementation of the prevention of transmission and safety protocols against the COVID-19. In the absence of the safety coordinator, the unit head/supervisor will assume the role.

#### **II. GENERAL OBJECTIVE**

To strictly implement hospital-wide safety protocols against COVID-19 and ensure health care worker safety and general well-being.

## **III. SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

- 1. To decrease the number of health workers diagnosed with COVID.
- 2. To strictly implement COVID safety guidelines
  - 2.1 Unit Compliance to handwashing and sanitation
  - 2.2 Unit Compliance to social distancing protocol
  - 2.3 Unit compliance to appropriate PPE use such as wearing of medical mask both for employees and patients.
  - 2.5 Unit Compliance to restriction of face-to face crowded gatherings.
  - 2.6 Unit Compliance to daily healthcare worker symptom monitoring.
  - 2.7 Unit Compliance to Healthcare workers Health declaration every 14 days.
- 3. To ensure availability and appropriate use of recommended PPE requirement. (depending on the degree of exposure) and isolation gowns, or full PPE.

## **IV. JOB DESCRIPTION**

The Safety Coordinator is responsible to oversee and promote a strong safety culture within the unit / office.

### **V. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 1. Ensures that all personnel know and follow the established COVID-19 safe work procedures.
- 2. Maintains the appropriate foot flow and work flow of people including the unit's entry and exit points.
- 3. Ensures hand hygiene and other Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) stocks are in place and available (hand sanitizer, paper towels, hand soap, PPEs).
- 4. Reinforce scheduled meal break time for gathering control and physical distancing such as spacing of seating.
- 5. Reminds patients and co-workers to wear appropriate PPE (see PPE Requirement).
- 6. For patient care areas, ensures one relative per patient only. For Covid-19 units, no relatives allowed.
- 7. Reminds co-workers to fill up the daily signs and symptoms monitoring sheet at the beginning of PHC working hours.
- 8. For Covid-19 units, acts as a "buddy" or "partner" during PPE donning and doffing procedure.
- 9. Reminds all staff to fill out online health declaration every two (2) weeks.
- 10. Make rounds as scheduled wearing the designated "safety officer vest".

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- 11. Accomplishes the safety report and coordinates with Infection Prevention and Control Team weekly or as the need arises..
- 12. Coordinates with the Safety Officer for any Covid-19 related concerns/issues.

# **VI. COVID HCW SAFETY POLICY FORMS:**

- 1. Healthcare Worker Health Declaration (online) every 14 days (FM-ICP-2020-003 Rev.00)
- 2. Covid-19 Sign and Symptoms Log Form (FM-ICP-2020-004 Rev.00)
- 3. Weekly Covid-19 Safety Monitoring Report (FM-ICP-2020-007 Rev.00)

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	Date :				
Statistics					
	Week 4	Week 0	Week 2	Week 4	TOTAL
Total Number of Personnel	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	TOTAL
Confirmed COVID 19					
Suspect COVID 19 with					
Symptoms					
Total Admitted / PHC					
Quarantine					
Home Quarantine					
. Compliance Reporting					
	% Compli	ance	Remarks		
Supplies Availability	-			11011101110	
1. PPE	□ Complete □ Inc	complete			
2. Hand Hygiene Supplies	□ Complete □ Incomplete				
HCW Online Health Declaration					
Compliance Every 14 days					
Daily Symptoms monitoring					
Compliance					
Compliance to Safety					
Practices	YES NO				
Scheduled meal breaks     Share a large state and a large sta	YES NO				
2. Physical Distancing	□ YES □ NO				
<ol><li>Wearing of Face Masks/ appropriate PPE</li></ol>					
Patient Care Areas					
Compliance					
One watcher policy	□ YES □ NO				
Wearing of Face masks	EVEC ENC				
(patient and relative)	□ YES □ NO				
3. Daily Pt Symptoms					
Monitoring	□ YES □ NO				
Others					

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