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Re: **New - Screening for Hospital to Hospital Transfers Forms by Area**

The regional HHN-1067 Screening for Hospital to Hospital Transfers Form has been replaced with four area forms which have been updated based on each area's phase and circumstances to align with the [Patient / Visitor Screening Posters](#) (scroll down to 'Screening posters' for most up to date patient / visitor screening posters for each area).

NB's [recovery plan](#) encompasses various recovery phases. At present, our province is in different recovery phases based on the pandemic's impact in each area. In an effort to ensure screening criteria is relevant to each Horizon area it was decided four separate area forms would be most effective. Screening for hospital to hospital transfers forms are available by area on Skyline:

- [1038 COVID-19 Screening Form for Hospital to Hospital Transfers Moncton Area](#)
- [35953 COVID-19 Screening Form for Hospital to Hospital Transfers Saint John Area](#)
- [300000457 COVID-19 Screening Form for Hospital to Hospital Transfers Fredericton URV Area](#)
- [30384 COVID-19 Screening Form for Hospital to Hospital Transfers Miramichi Area](#)

As communicated on May 1, the Regional Infectious Diseases / Infection Prevention and Control Committee (ID-IPCC) recommended ongoing monitoring of **all admitted patients twice daily (every 12 hours)** to assess **changes in health status** related to COVID-19.

If a patient has been identified with **at least two of the 10** COVID-19 symptoms:

- Isolate the patient
- Immediately implement droplet and contact precautions

- Isolate all roommates on droplet and contact precautions
- Notify Infection Prevention and Control
- Collect a nasopharyngeal swab for COVID-19 (as per directive [DIR-IPC-40041](#))
- Document a focused assessment

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