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The screening criteria for employees and physicians in all areas has changed effective today, Feb. 17, 2021. All employees and physicians must self screen prior to entering any Horizon facility, and in Orange zones, you will be actively screened.

Please review the updated screening questions and remain familiar with them.

The updated questions and signage can be accessed <u>here</u>. All updated posters are available on the <u>Coronavirus Skyline page</u>.

If an employee or physician answers yes to any of the questions, they are not to enter the facility. They must contact Employee Health and Wellness (1-833-978-2580) for further screening and possible referral to a COVID-19 assessment centre.

Employee Health and Wellness is available daily from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. to answer any questions or concerns – please call 1-833-978-2580.

If Employee Health is not available to answer your call, please leave a voicemail with your name and contact information. Your call will be returned by Employee Health within two hours, between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.

<u>Call for clinical and non-clinical resources: COVID-19</u> vaccination clinics

Horizon is looking for clinical and non-clinical human resources to support upcoming COVID-19 vaccination clinics. From screening, registration and wayfinding to immunizing and recovery – there are a variety of roles to fill.

To efficiently immunize our population, we are building a strong and committed workforce dedicated to COVID-19 vaccination clinics, while also maintaining services in our hospitals and community sites.

In addition to our staff, we are extending our search to retired nurses, nursing students, non-practicing nurses, paramedics

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and physicians to fill clinical roles.

To assist with this effort, the Nurses Association of New Brunswick in collaboration of the Government of New Brunswick is <u>waiving registration fees</u> to **renew nursing licenses**. They can be renewed in three-month intervals. All immunizers must be licensed.

The Redeployment Centre is active to redeploy staff affected by a service slow down or closure to an area of high need and to staff those services impacted by an increase in service needs during our pandemic response such as a vaccination clinic.

If you are working part-time or casual and looking to pick up extra shifts to assist in these areas or are working full-time and affected by a service slow down, please speak to your manager. Your manager can add your name to the redeployment tracker with the number of shifts you are available to help with.

Ideally immunizers will commit to a three-month term, while other positions may be more flexible. This is due to the training involved in preparing for the clinics which includes medical directive requirements and four online modules for which you will be granted four hours of education time.

We are also recruiting for non-clinical (administrative) positions like screening, registration, wayfinding, recovery, and runners. The process for redeployment is the same as for clinical positions, please talk to your manager.

All the positions are paid and if travel is required, you will be reimbursed. Meals are provided.







If you

know someone who is not employed by Horizon that is interested and available to provide on-site support during COVID-19 vaccination clinics, please share this link with them: https://interceptum.com/s/en/PandemicSupport

We all have a role to play in preventing the spread of COVID-19.

GNB updates

Public Health reported three new cases of COVID-19 today: One case in the Saint John (Zone 2) area, and 2 cases in the Edmundston (Zone 4) area.

Click here to read the full news release.