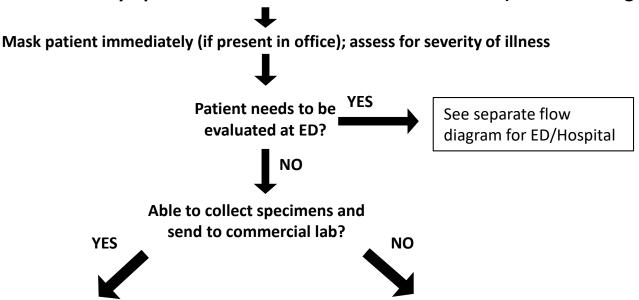
Clinical Approach to Guide Evaluation of Outpatients with Symptoms of COVID-19 For community providers (3/13/20)

Patient presents with symptoms consistent with COVID-19 infection (fever and cough)



Collect NP swab and send swab to commercial lab



Notify OCHCA about suspect case pending results only if patient is a resident or employee of a senior living facility (SNF/LTCF or assisted living)



Instruct patient to isolate at home until test results return



Call OCHCA to discuss case; OCHCA will test if:

- Patient has cough OR fever and close contact¹ with a confirmed case, OR
- 2. Patient has cough and fever and
 - Is a healthcare worker, OR
 - Is a resident of a skilled nursing facility, OR
 - Has returned from a country at risk in last 14 days²



If approved for testing:

- Able to collect specimens: collect NP swab and refrigerate specimen and PHL courier will pick up next business day (freeze specimen if collected Friday or Saturday)
- Not able to collect specimens: testing will be scheduled at Public Health
- 1. Close contact is defined as being within approximately 6 feet (2 meters) of a COVID-19 case for over 2 minutes
- 2. A list of affected countries can be found at: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html

Call the OCHCA Communicable Disease Control Division at 714-834-8180 to report a confirmed case or to arrange testing. DO NOT instruct patients to call these numbers.

