

Travel/Exposure Screening Workflow

Audience: Providers, Outpatient Clinical Support Staff

In an effort to screen and alert staff of a potential risk of infection, the **Travel Screening** form has been activated in clinic encounters. The screening form has key questions regarding travel and exposure. The responses will determine if the patient has a potential risk and will alert you on what steps to take with a Best Practice Advisory (BPA).

From an Encounter:

Open your patient's chart. Storyboard appears on the left side of the screen and the activity tabs appear at the top of the screen.

You will now see a Hyperlink to [Complete Patient Travel Screen](#), if not completed by Registration/Scheduling.

The screenshot displays a medical chart for a patient named Little Potato. The patient's information includes: Male, 10 y.o., 12/1/2009; MRN: 205011; CSN: 2001010121375; Code: Not on file (no ACP docs); Pain Agreement: Not on File. A search bar is present. A red box highlights a warning: "SCREEN FOR POTENTIAL CORONAVIRUS RISK". Below this, a blue button labeled "Complete Patient Travel Screen" is highlighted with a red box. The interface also shows activity tabs (Chart Review, Synopsis, Growth Chart, Rooming, Plan, Wrap-Up) and a "BestPractice Advisory - Potato, Little" window with "Accept" and "Cancel" buttons. Patient safety information includes: Care Team: No PCP; Coverage: None; Allergies: Not on File; 1:30 PM ESTABLISHED PATIENT for Cough; Ht: 4' 2" >30 days; Last Wt: 25 kg (55 lb 1.8 oz) !. Vital signs are listed as "None Taken".

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Once the [Complete Patient Travel Screen](#) is selected, the **Travel Screening** questionnaire populates:

The screenshot shows a web-based form titled "Travel Screening". It is divided into two main sections: "Communicable Disease Screening" and "Travel History".

Communicable Disease Screening

In the last month, have you been in contact with someone who was confirmed or suspected to have Coronavirus / COVID-19?

Buttons: Yes, No / Unsure, Unable to assess

Do you have any of the following symptoms?

Grid of checkboxes:

<input type="checkbox"/> None of these	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to assess	<input type="checkbox"/> Abdominal pain	<input type="checkbox"/> Bruising or bleeding
<input type="checkbox"/> Chills	<input type="checkbox"/> Cough	<input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea	<input type="checkbox"/> Fever
<input type="checkbox"/> Joint pain	<input type="checkbox"/> Loss of smell	<input type="checkbox"/> Loss of taste	<input type="checkbox"/> Muscle pain
<input type="checkbox"/> Rash	<input type="checkbox"/> Red eye	<input type="checkbox"/> Severe headache	<input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath
<input type="checkbox"/> Sore throat	<input type="checkbox"/> Vomiting	<input type="checkbox"/> Weakness	

Travel History

Have you traveled internationally in the last month?

Buttons: Yes, No, Unable to assess

Input field: Enter a location + Add Travel

Message: No Documented Travel. You can use the box to the upper left to add a trip to the list.

Footer: No more travel to load

Buttons: Accept, Cancel

Ensure all three questions in the Travel Screening are answered:

1. In the last month, have you been in contact with someone who was confirmed or suspected to have Coronavirus / COVID-19?
2. Do you have any of the following symptoms?
3. Have you traveled internationally in the last month?

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Potential Coronavirus (COVID-19) Risk BPA

If a patient has screened positive (see logic below), the following BPA will appear with instructions for when the patient is in clinic:

Updated logic for patients identified as potential COVID-19 risk:

Patient has one or more of the following symptoms:

- Cough
- Fever
- Shortness of Breath
- Muscle Pain
- Severe Headache
- Sore Throat
- Loss of Smell
- Chills
- Loss of Taste
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea

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Patient Safety (1)

⚠ POTENTIAL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) RISK

If patient is on the phone:

Calmly state "Due to your symptoms and travel/exposure history we are going to schedule you for a MyChart video visit with your/a Methodist Primary Care Provider so you can be further screened and evaluated for testing if necessary."

If you are unable to schedule the patient with a Methodist PCG provider, please warm transfer them to the PCG call center at 713-394-6724 to have them schedule the patient. If after hours or patient declines, they can also be offered an on demand virtual urgent care appointment through the MyMethodist app.

If patient is in-person (inpatient registration, hospital outpatient, or ambulatory clinic):

- **Maintain you ICARE values**
- **Provide the patient a surgical mask to cover mouth and nose**
- **Don a surgical mask and eye protection**
- **Escort the patient to an identified location and close the door**
- **Notify the provider or operations administrator that the COVID-19 Screen is positive and follow their directions**
- **Refer to latest algorithm "Management of Patients Suspected of Having Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Outpatient Settings" for further guidance**

[↗ Re-administer Patient Travel Screening](#)

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Reviewing Travel Screening Documentation

1. Check Chart Review for a recent **Travel** encounter to see if the patient has a Travel/Exposure Screening filled out.
 - a. Chart review > Encounters tab > Travel type
 - b. Click the Travel Encounter Record
 - c. Review answers to Travel/Exposure Screening

The screenshot displays the EHR Chart Review interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Chart Review', 'Synopsis', 'Growth Chart', 'Rooming', 'Plan', and 'Wrap-Up'. The 'Encounters' tab is selected, showing a list of encounters with columns for 'When', 'Type', and 'With'. A 'Travel' encounter from 'Today' is highlighted. The right-hand pane shows the 'Travel Screening and History' record for this encounter, dated 03/10/20. The record includes a 'Row Name' of '1316 Screening' and sections for 'Communicable Disease Screening' and 'Travel Screening'.

When	Type	With
Today		
Today	Office Visit	FAM MED BAYTOWN 2...
Today	Travel	
2 Years Ago		
01/25/2018	ED	Main ED
01/25/2018	ED	HMH MAIN ER
5 Years Ago		
12/02/2014	Admission (Discharged)	PEDIATRICS - Family...

Travel Screening and History

03/10/20
1316
Row Name: Screening

Communicable Disease Screening

Have you been in contact with someone who was sick? No / Unsure

Do you have any of the following symptoms? None of these

Travel Screening

Have you traveled internationally in the last month? No