

**MEMO:**

**TO: Correctional Medical Department**

**FROM: Margaret Johnson, RN, MSN**

**RE: COVID-19 SCREENING UPDATE**

**All individuals entering a Kern County correctional facility will be screened as follows:**

- 1. All new detainees entering the correctional facility will be masked immediately until evaluated.**
- 2. All individuals will be screened for a temperature in excess of 100 degrees Fahrenheit. If an individual has a positive screening proceed to the next step.**
- 3. All individuals will be asked if they have traveled to, or have been in contact with someone who has traveled to China, Japan, South Korea, or Italy within the last 14 days. A positive travel screen by itself does not mean a person has COVID-19. Proceed to the next step.**
- 4. All individuals will be asked if they have been in close contact with any individual who has a confirmed case of COVID-19.**
- 5. All individuals will be screened for respiratory symptoms such as shortness of breath or any respiratory difficulties. If an individual is positive for respiratory symptoms, and has a temperature in excess of 100, isolate the individual. Contact the physician or Advanced Practice Provider and the Clinical Director or Clinical Supervisor for further instructions. We will coordinate with the Infectious Disease Department at Kern Medical and the Public Health Department.**
- 6. If any further medical evaluation or treatment is indicated, the use of personal protective equipment should be utilized with the initiation of contact/droplet precautions. Contact with the individual should be limited to essential personnel only.**