

## OBJECTIVE STRUCTURE CLINICAL EXAM

# COVID-19 health and safety policy

This policy outlines BCCNM expectations of candidates to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 for those attending the Objective Structure Clinical Exam (OSCE), located at the BC Children's Hospital, Ambulatory Care Building (ACB).

**Note:** This policy is subject to change due to the introduction of additional governmental guidelines. All candidates and exam staff must follow this policy to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and ensure the health and safety of others:

- Read and familiarize yourself with the BCCNM *COVID-19 Health and Safety Policy* (this document).
- Candidates must complete a BCCNM *COVID-19 Health Assessment Form* prior to visiting the exam location. **Failure to complete a BCCNM *COVID-19 Health Assessment Form* could result in refusal to allow you into the exam site.**
- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds upon arrival at the exam site and after touching common surface areas (i.e., doorknobs, elevator buttons, handrails, etc.).
- Use hand sanitizers found throughout the exam site if hand washing is not available.
- Keep a distance of at least 2 arms lengths (approximately 2 metres) from others whenever possible.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Cough or sneeze into your sleeve or tissue, not your hand, then discard the tissue and wash your hands.
- Stay home if you are sick or have been in contact with someone who is sick to avoid spreading illness to others. Contact BCCNM immediately to cancel or reschedule your exam.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Take the necessary safety precautions when making trips in your community.
- Alert exam staff of any COVID-like symptom development while at the exam site or **within 14 days** of attending the OSCE.

**ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAM SITE**

- Anyone with current symptoms of COVID-19 including cough or worsening chronic cough, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing, fever or chills, congestion or runny nose, muscle aches, chest pain, headache, sore throat, sudden loss of taste or smell, loss of appetite, diarrhea, extreme fatigue or tiredness, confusion, dizziness, skins rashes or discolouration of fingers or toes, nausea or vomiting, or other recognized symptoms of COVID-19 (the “Symptoms”) must self-isolate at home for a minimum of five days and will not be admitted into the exam.
- Anyone who has experienced any of the Symptoms in the previous five calendar days will not be admitted into the exam.
- Anyone who has returned from travel outside of Canada within the past 14 calendar days and been directed to quarantine will not be admitted into the exam.

**MANAGEMENT OF POSITIVE OR SUSPECTED COVID-19 CASE(S)**

Any person who develops flu-like symptoms, including a fever, cough, and/or shortness of breath, or other symptoms that may be indicative of COVID-19 while at the exam site must alert the exam administrator; support staff will ensure this person is promptly separated from others and appropriate protocols are followed.