

Taking of Temperatures Discontinued for Covid-19 Screening

We have learned that fever is a symptom but not a hallmark of Covid-19. Recent data from the CDC and other publications* validates this. Other symptoms such as loss of sense of smell and muscle ache were both much stronger predictors. Based on this updated information, we have streamlined our screening process to eliminate temperature taking. Fever will remain on the list of symptoms we ask about during screening.

*<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6914e4.htm>).

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