Daily Health Self-Screening

Daily monitoring of one's health and well-being prior to coming to campus/work can aid in early detection of infectious disease and is an effective measure to prevent community spread of COVID-19. In our ongoing effort to protect our on-site community, we have established this interim daily health self-screening for our community and visitors to complete each day they plan to physically come to any of the URI campuses or leave their residence hall to start their day.

Overview

All students, employees, and visitors coming to any University of Rhode Island campus are required to complete a daily health self-screening electronic questionnaire and to follow the procedures outlined in this document. Employees may not come to campus if sick and must immediately report their illness to their supervisor. Students likewise may not come to campus if ill and should contact Health Services at 401-874-2246.

NOTE: Certain campus locations such as healthcare and fitness/athletics facilities may have enhanced screening procedures in addition to the daily health self-assessment, where approved by the COVID-19 Task Force.

Accessing the self-screening tool

This health self-assessment will be part of our daily routines prior to coming to any URI campuses for the foreseeable future. The daily self-assessment can be accessed via the URI COVID-19 website or by downloading the University’s Rhody Connect app from Google Play and the iTunes Store.

Symptoms of COVID-19, as currently defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) can be found at CDC.gov/coronavirus.

Self-assessment confirmation

Individuals will receive a confirmation email upon completing the self-assessment.

Employees on URI campuses should be prepared to show that day’s email confirmation upon request by their supervisor or manager.

Supervisors have the responsibility to ensure that an employee is completing the self-screening form when coming to the physical campus(es) and may request to see an employee’s response email at any time. (NOTE: This does not mean that Supervisors are required to obtain a copy of each employee’s response email on a daily basis, but rather that Supervisors are expected to exercise due diligence in verifying their employees’ compliance.)

Students on URI campuses should be prepared to show their daily email confirmation upon request.

Visitors to URI campuses may be asked to present their email confirmation upon arrival at campus.
Daily procedures

For students
Each student must check in using the University’s Employee Wellness Self-Screen App before leaving their residence hall or home each day. If the student does NOT have any symptoms on the app, they should continue on to campus as usual. If the student has any symptom(s) on the app, they should immediately contact Health Services should contact Health Services at 401-874-2246 to report their illness and may not leave their residence hall room or come to campus, as applicable.

For employees
Each employee must check in using the University’s Employee Wellness Self-Screen App before leaving home. If an employee does NOT have any symptoms on the App, they should report to work. If an employee has any symptom(s) on the app, they should immediately call their supervisor and indicate they screened positive and will not be reporting to work. Employee(s) MAY NOT access campus and should immediately contact their Primary Care Physician for further direction.

For supervisors
Upon receiving a call from an Employee that they have a symptom(s) on the app, the Supervisor should instruct the employee to remain home and to contact their Primary Care Provider as described above. The Employee should be asked to follow up with their Supervisor after speaking with their Primary Care Provider or prior to the next scheduled workday, whichever comes first.

The Supervisor should immediately follow up with a written email to the employee, copy to Human Resources (need name/position) documenting:

- Date and time of call/contact from employee
- Symptom(s) identified
- Repeat instruction to contact Primary Care Provider
- Request employee to follow up with Supervisor next business day with update

For contractors/vendors
All vendors and contractors must require their employees working on URI campuses to complete daily self-screening for symptoms of COVID-19. The vendor/contractor is responsible for managing this process for their own employees, though they may use URI’s visitor screening app if they so choose. NOTE: This does not apply to delivery persons who are on campus strictly for the purpose of dropping off or picking up mail and parcels.

Individuals who become ill while on campus
Employees who develop symptoms of COVID-19 while at work should immediately notify their Supervisor by phone and leave work. The Employee should also contact their Primary Care Provider for further direction once they have left work.

Supervisors should handle such notice from an Employee as described above in “Procedures for supervisors.”

Students who develop symptoms of COVID-19 while on campus should immediately plan to return to their residence hall or leave campus for off-campus housing and isolate. The student should CALL Health Services
at 401-874-2246 to speak with a triage nurse. Based on evaluation, the student will be scheduled for SARS-CoV-2 testing at the earliest convenience and isolation requirements will be reinforced.

**Visitors** who develop symptoms of COVID-19 while on campus should immediately leave campus and contact their Primary Care Provider for further direction. If the visitor subsequently tests positive for COVID-19, they or their Primary Care Physician, should notify URI Health Services by calling 401-874-2246.

**IMPORTANT:** Individuals should avoid using public transportation if ill. In the event of a medical emergency, always dial 9-1-1 whether on or off campus.

**Contact tracing**

When any member of the URI community becomes ill with COVID-19, Health Services will work with the RI Department of Health to identify those with whom the individual has been in close contact and assess the significance of the exposure and potential testing and self-quarantine if indicated.

**NOTE:** The University will report all positive COVID-19 cases in the campus community to the RI Department of Health as required.