

Subject	IMPORTANT: COVID-19 Health Screening Form
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Good Evening

Transporting a sick youth, particularly one with COVID-19 or the flu, could exacerbate their illness and could cause significant detrimental health outcomes. Given the seriousness of potential negative outcomes with transferring infected youth, TJJD is implementing the following precautions.

While TJJD is not suspending the acceptance of new commitments, effective immediately all youth presented for intake at TJJD’s orientation and assessment unit will be assessed for symptoms by TJJD facility staff. Those presenting with a fever or signs of an obvious illness will not be admitted. The county transport staff will be required to seek medical care for the youth.

Additionally, counties must screen youth for medical issues no more than 12 hours before beginning transport to the TJJD orientation and assessment unit. The screening must include taking the youth’s temperature and asking appropriate questions regarding the COVID-19 symptoms and potential exposure. The attached form is the screening tool that must be used. The form must be completed and accompany the youth to TJJD. If the youth presents with symptoms, particularly symptoms of COVID-19 or the flu, you must have the youth medically assessed and a doctor’s note clearing the youth for admission is required. If the youth did not present with symptoms at the time of the screening but begins to exhibit symptoms at any time before or during the transport, staff must discontinue the transport and seek appropriate medical care for the youth.

Thank you for all of your diligent efforts in keeping the health of the youth this system serves your top priority.

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